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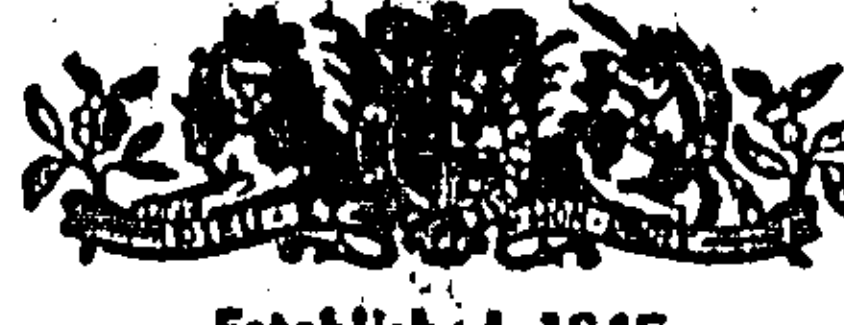
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## America's Security Needs To Dictate Future Of Formosa

Lake Success, Jan. 21.

The United States, in a far reaching statement of policy, declared today that America's national security needs would dictate the future of Formosa.

Moreover, said Ambassador Ernest A. Gross, the US will never participate in any conference about Formosa at which the Nationalist government of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is not represented.

The declaration, issued while 12 Arab-Asian countries met to frame a new United Nations offer to discuss the Chinese Communists for control of Formosa, was the most outspoken the US has made on the question.

American sources said it apparently indicated acceptance on the highest governmental level of General Douglas MacArthur's view that control of Formosa is vital to American security.

It slammed the door on the possibility of a seven-power conference of the US, Russia, Britain, France, Red China, India and Egypt to discuss the problem of Formosa and the sitting of the Peking regime in the UN.

Mr. Gross also said this country "undertook no commitment with regard to seating the Chinese Communists in the United Nations. We continue to oppose that."

### ADVANCE WARNING

The statement, it is understood, is intended to warn non-Communist countries in advance that the US will have no more part in any efforts to compromise with Red China on the Formosa and representation question in return for a cease-fire in Korea.

"The last UN attempt at achieving a peaceful settlement with Peking seems to me to have been conclusive," Mr. Gross said.

He asserted that the US had made a survey of opinion and was confident it had enough votes to push condemnation of Red China through the 60-nation Political Committee by the middle of this week.

"I believe the majority is united in its readiness to support the United Nations Charter and support the basic principle of our common collective security," he added.

Meanwhile, the 12 Asian countries worked over a formula which would promise Red China a political conference to solve Far Eastern problems opening simultaneously with a "toll in hostilities" in Korea. How and when such a "toll" would occur was not explained.

The group plans to meet at the apartment of India's Sir Benegal N. Rau on Monday morning to put the final touches to the new peace bid.

Sir Benegal is acting on direct instructions from Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru with whom he conferred in London and Paris last week. Mr. Nehru, arriving in Bombay today, told newsmen that he still believed the Peking regime would welcome negotiations and that it would be unwise to shut the door.

This view was echoed in Karachi by Pakistan's Foreign Minister, Sir Mohamed Zafrullah Khan, who said he thought there was still a reasonable basis for finding a peaceful settlement in Korea.—Associated Press.

### WILL SEEK SANCTIONS

Lake Success, Jan. 21. The United States made it clear tonight that it will press for quick United Nations action to impose economic and diplomatic sanctions against Communist China.

The American delegate, Ernest A. Gross, told the United Press that the preliminary resolution unveiled on Saturday aims at paving the way for fast imposition of positive punitive measures.

The resolution which is likely to be passed this week calls on the United Nations to condemn Peking as aggressor and to delegate its 14-member collective measures committee to launch an urgent study of "additional measures" to meet aggression.

Mr. Gross said the United States would want the collective measures committee to get to work within a day or two and report back proposals for action against Peking as soon as possible.

Asked if that meant the United Nations is thinking in terms of such measures as economic boycott or diplomatic sanctions, Mr. Gross said definitely. He confidently predicted passage of the United States resolution, "by a large majority."—United Press.

## POLICEMAN KILLED CHASING ROBBER

Tokyo, Jan. 21.

A Yokohama-Tokyo-Urawa electric train ran over and killed a policeman who jumped onto the tracks to chase a fleeing robber at Omori station on Saturday night.

Two policemen escorting a handcuffed robber were waiting for the train at the station when the criminal suddenly jumped off the platform and began to run.

One of the policemen, 39-year-old Shigeo Seki, gave chase but was hit by the train before he could make the other side of the tracks.

The robber was still free today.—Reuter.

## Mediterranean Plan Believed In Making

Athens, Jan. 21.

An overall Anglo-American plan for the defence of the Mediterranean, the Middle East and the Suez Canal to be integrated with General Eisenhower's Atlantic treaty preparations appeared likely today.

Observers believe that the Allies could tap immediately a much greater existing force in this area than Gen. Eisenhower has found in Western Europe.

Reliable sources indicated that the United States and Britain have decided to by-pass the lengthy and difficult method of bilateral treaties among varied and often conflicting influences in this part of the world. Instead, the Anglo-Americans were reported to favour their own direct but informal military understandings among individual nations concerned.

These arrangements would not, however, eliminate future chances for separate military accords between the neighbouring countries.

These conclusions were supported by several principal factors:

1. The current tour of the area by Admiral Robert Carney, commander of the United States Northeast Atlantic and Mediterranean Naval forces.
2. The scheduled exchange of military attaches between Greece and Yugoslavia sometime next month.
3. Authoritative reports that Greece and Turkey have reached an agreement in principle on a military pact.
4. Next month's Istanbul conference of United States diplomats in the Near and Middle East which Adm. Carney also will attend.

Sources here said that Gen. Eisenhower's western European trip has stirred tremendous interest here and considered that Adm. Carney's quiet close-mouthed trip also could tap a large force. They pointed out that Turkey with 30 divisions and Greece with nine can now offer more than France expects to provide in several years. In addition, they believed that Adm. Carney could not yet discount Marshal Tito's 30 divisions.

### POTENTIAL MANPOWER

Another potential manpower for Adm. Carney includes an undisclosed number of troops at the Suez Canal, 150,000 Israelis and smaller standing forces in Israel, Egypt, Iraq and Transjordan. The training and equipment of many of those troops is below the accepted standards. But observers considered that the area had enough available first class troops right now nearly to match Gen. Eisenhower's planned Atlantic Army.

Admiral Carney's present tour of the Near and Middle East to be followed by conferences with the British at Malta, Istanbul, Baghdad, was officially described as a routine courtesy visit, but observers believed that its actual purpose was:

1. To determine that nations in this area really would be friends of the Anglo-Americans in the event of a general war;
2. To check to what extent friendly nations here will support the West in actual military commitments both in the defence of their own territory and in joint efforts;
3. To learn what material and assistance was needed from the West in order to boost their defences.—United Press.

## Escaped In A Packing Case

Singapore, Jan. 21.

One of the most whimsical stories of the Berlin fortnight riots was that of a Dutchman who was taken out of the danger zone in a packing case.

The Dutch businessman was visiting a Chinese client in the Moslem quarter when the rioting began. The Chinese shopkeeper hid him one day and night.

The following morning it became imperative that he must be smuggled out but Moslem mobs still roamed the area.

The Chinese merchant placed the Dutchman in a packing case and loaded it onto his truck. British military at a roadblock refused to allow the truck to proceed, thinking the case contained firearms. They received a shock when the anxious Dutchman lifted the lid of the case and assured them all was okay.—Associated Press.

## CHURCHILL IN PARIS

Paris, Jan. 21.

Premier Rene Pleven and Defence Minister Jules Moch dined at the British Embassy tonight with Mr. Winston Churchill.

The Embassy said that there was nothing official about the dinner—Ambassador Sir Oliver Harvey merely invited personally. Mr. Churchill wished to meet the former Prime Minister. The former Prime Minister spent most of the dull, grey Sunday at the Embassy where he is a guest.

Foreign Minister Robert Schuman is due to lunch at the Embassy tomorrow. Mr. Churchill is due to leave for London by air later in the afternoon.—Associated Press.

## Reds Provide MacArthur With Puzzle

### "GIVE & TAKE" GAME OF PATROL WAR

(By SELKIRK PANTON)

Tokyo, Jan. 22.

General MacArthur and his staff in Tokyo are tonight trying to puzzle out the reasons behind the hesitancy of the Chinese Reds in launching their all-out offensive against the United Nations forces in Korea.

This Chinese reluctance and General MacArthur's statement during his lightning visit to the front on Saturday—"No one is going to drive us into the sea"—have led to a new confidence and optimism of the ability of the United Nations to maintain at least a toe-hold in Korea if not something better. The confidence has been increased too by the aggressive activity of the United Nations forces all along the front.

One theory advanced to explain the Chinese delay in striking is their difficulty of getting sufficient supplies of ammunition and food to the masses of men at the front owing to the day and night pounding of supply lines by the United Nations air forces. But it is known that nearly 300,000 Chinese and Korean Reds are poised opposite the thin United Nations defence line.

The mystery is why they are marking time and why in fact they have not even followed up in force the recent withdrawals of the United Nations troops in the centre and western front. So is Anyman's Land between the opposing armies "give and take" game of patrol the war continues. United Nations patrols probing miles north of the defence line have found only forward Red patrols.

United Nations troops again reoccupied Wonju, the key rail hub on the centre front. This was given up to the enemy last week at the end of the "Bulge" struggle for the town.

Since then it has changed hands several times between Saturday alone. The Reds seem loth to occupy it in force. But 30 miles to the west of Wonju the United Nations had their loss equalising the score. They abandoned Ichon, the road and rail centre half-way between Wonju and Suwon—18 miles south of Seoul—which has also changed hands several times in this strange patrol war now going on while the main bodies of the armies stand and watch.

The past 24 hours has also seen the greatest air activity since the Korean war started—possibly heralding the imminent Red offensive. It also shows that Soviet Russia may now be giving the Chinese Red armies some of the air support they have been demanding to combat the complete air mastery of the United Nations so far.

Forty-one Russian-built MIG-15 jet fighters streaked over the battle area on Sunday. They mostly evaded action. But U.S. Thunderjets caught two in a dog-fight. One MIG-15 was shot down and another damaged with no loss to the Thunderjets.—London Express Service.

### VACATED AGAIN

Tokyo, Jan. 22.

Tank and artillery supported United Nations forces drove into strategic Wonju yesterday for the fourth time in five days and held it airstrip for three hours, but Communist fire from hill-tops made it too hot to hold overnight.

Associated Press correspondent William C. Barnard reported that at dusk American troops slowly pulled out of Wonju in 10 below zero weather to defence positions to the South.

The American retired without suffering a single casualty. Their fire, however, had killed 100 North Korean Reds while air strikes killed 50 more Reds on a hill overlooking the field. A strafing attack earlier yesterday on an estimated battalion of North Koreans on the airfield caused an unknown number of casualties.

Barnard said that because Wonju and its airfield were in a valley cupped by hills on three sides, the area was untenable at night. Patrols remaining there would be exposed to attack by greatly superior forces.

While the stubborn grapple of reinforced Eighth Army patrols and Communist forces continued indecisively, aggressive Reds forced Allied troops to withdraw from Ichon, 28 miles west of Wonju. Allied patrols for three days had probed north of Ichon, which is within 21 air miles southeast of Seoul.

## Philippines And Jap Reparations

### To Abandon Claims Says Newspaper

Manila, Jan. 22.

A report published in the Manila Bulletin that the Philippine government has decided to abandon any claim for further reparations from Japan could not be confirmed from official sources.

The Bulletin story quoted Foreign Office sources as saying instructions had been given to its planners to prepare a draft of the Philippines position with reference to a peace treaty with Japan which would:

1. Agree to waive claims to US\$2,000,000,000 worth of reparations the Philippines has been claiming for war damage in the Islands.
2. Agree to the rearming of Japan with safeguards against that country using its military power as a threat against its former opponents in Asia.
3. Support United States plans to develop Japan's economy to a point of self-sufficiency.

The Foreign Office would neither confirm nor deny the Bulletin story. The abandonment of further reparations claims and agreement to development of a self-sufficient economy in Japan are marked departures from previous Philippines policy—it true.

The Bulletin quoted Foreign Office sources as saying that the rise of Communist aggression in East Asia left the Philippines no alternative but to join the US programme of attempting to make Japan a bastion in the free-world defence line.—Associated Press.

## Fire Destroys K'loon Shop

A fire of unknown origin destroyed a marine goods and loss shop in Pak Chuen Street, Tsimshatsui, early this morning. No casualties were caused.

The fire lasted nearly an hour, starting at 4.18 a.m. Five fire appliances and an ambulance were despatched to the scene. The shop was a metal and wooden structure. The total area affected by the fire was about 120 by 50 feet.

Shortly after midnight, a small fire broke out in the offices of the China Engineering Corporation in the first floor of St George's Building, Chater Road. Two fire engines from Central put out the flames which did only slight damage.

## Avalanches Cause 94 Deaths

Geneva, Jan. 21.

Crashing avalanches thundered repeatedly down Alpine slopes today, bringing frightful tragedy to quiet mountain villages and a week-end death toll of at least 94 in three nations.

Authorities lost accurate count of the missing. The threat of crushing white death hung over many more mountain folk as heavy snowfall continued to pile up perilously on the towering mountain sides of Switzerland, Austria and Italy.

Railways and highways were buried, tying up transportation, communications lines were snapped, power lines thrown out of commission, and houses and barns swept away with the inhabitants and their cattle when masses of ice, rock and timber roared down with devastating speed.

The Swiss radio discontinued all entertainment features and devoted its broadcasts to the sombre news.

"Switzerland counted 49 dead; Austria 41 and Italy four since Friday."

### LIKE EARTHQUAKE

An avalanche roared out of the night down steep Crosslockner in Austrian Carinthia and struck the little village of Heiligenblut "like an earthquake," an eyewitness said. Houses and forest trees were broken like kindling wood, and 18 persons were buried. Only three were rescued alive and the other 12 were given up for dead. Fear was expressed for 200 inmates of a labour camp higher up the mountain. About 150 rescue workers had to give up their labours and about half the village houses were ordered evacuated because of the danger of fresh slides.

A major disaster hit the village of Vals in Central Switzerland. A lone messenger said a tremendous avalanche struck part of the village, burying five houses. An unknown number of persons were dead and at least 18 missing. The Swiss Army was trying to establish contact with the cut-off village by radio.—Associated Press.

## Hongkong Petrol Black Marketeers

### Small Car Owners Suffer

#### "Phoney Shortage"

To combat the unscrupulous activities of blackmarketeers and selfish petrol hogs who are depriving the small car owner of his fair share of the Colony's petrol supplies the local oil companies are having to limit sales to buyers in the New Territories.

The companies categorically denied this morning that there was a shortage of petrol in the Colony. One company added that its current supplies to retailers is above average.

The phoney shortage is attributed to blackmarketeers who are buying petrol to resell at handsome profits to buyers across the border in China.

Another cause, one company thinks, is that some people are buying more petrol than they want for their immediate needs and are hoarding it, apparently because they think the American embargo on commodities to China may affect petrol.

### "NO GAS" SIGNS

Many small-time motorists who pulled into filling stations over the weekend report that they found "No Gas" signs hanging out or were told they could only have a fraction of their requirements.

One doctor on his way to visit a patient seriously ill, yesterday ran out of petrol and was unable to obtain any more and had to finish his journey by other means.

All the companies say they are endeavouring to meet the genuine requirements of their regular customers. One company, however, has advised filling stations if they are running low of supplies to limit sales to two gallons for small cars and four gallons for lorries. This, the company's spokesman said, should be enough to see the motorist on his way.

The companies say they have no desire to ration petrol but ask motorists to co-operate by taking only their immediate day to day requirements and not stock up for a week.

Anyone genuinely needing petrol and unable to get it should contact the oil company from whom they get their supplies and they will be looked after.

### COMMENT OF THE DAY

## Hongkong British Subjects

JUDGING by the many questions which have arisen since the first announcement of compulsory registration of British subjects in Hongkong, many people, particularly local-born Chinese and others are in genuine doubt as to their status and their obligations under the terms of the new regulations. The PRO has gone a long way towards clearing up some points, originally made vague in consequence of the generalised form of initial announcement, but a precise definition of a British subject apparently still tantalises the minds of some people. No legal definition has yet officially been offered, but we believe it correct to observe that if a person can show that he or she was born in Hongkong they are entitled to claim themselves to be British subjects and to make application for registration. It is in situation such as this where the difficulties, and complications of dual nationality assert themselves. The main problem for those who profess dual

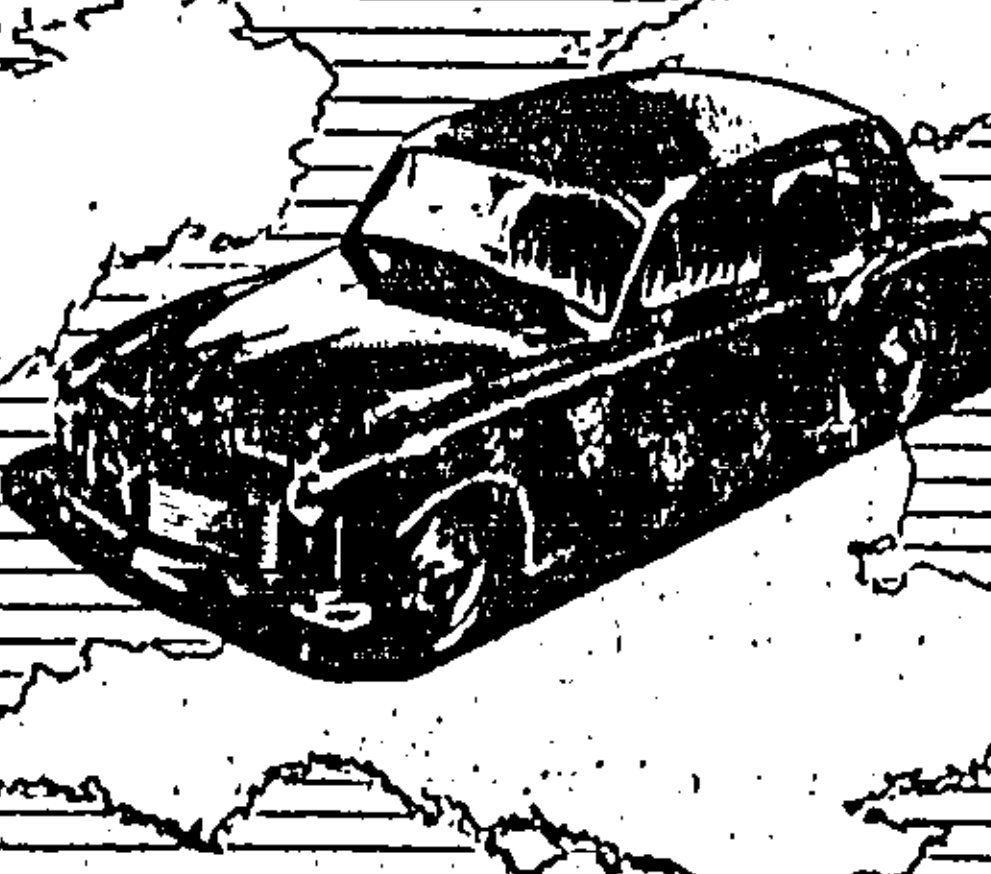
nationality then becomes whether they wish to pronounce themselves as one or the other. And to the Authorities it is of first class importance that those who claim to be British subjects by virtue of being born in Hongkong do so in the spirit of a true British subject. The purpose of the present registration is not to present privileges but to impose responsibilities in a time of emergency. Government is looking for British subjects, loyal to the Colony at all times, who will, in the event of their services being required for special purposes, be on hand to devote themselves to the interests, welfare and security of Hongkong. When the registration is implemented it will take the form of a call to duty—a duty which will demand unwavering loyalty. It is desirable that this should be fully appreciated by any who may have doubts as to their entitlement to claim themselves to be British subjects.

### A Less Drastic Resolution

THE United States resolution on Communist China's intervention in Korea now before the UN Political Committee is far less drastic than at first expected, and by reason of this can receive qualified support. What was made obvious in Saturday's debate at Lake Success was the desire of the majority of nations to avoid decisions that would render impossible any further exploration of the problem along diplomatic lines. It was apprehension of this possible development which dictated the tone of the speeches made by representatives of the Asian countries. They still hope, even if they are no longer firmly convinced, that a way can be found to deal with the Korean

problem by negotiation and to avoid any international punitive action against Communist China. Whatever support the United States receives for its resolution this week will be qualified by this understanding. This attitude, however, demands a reciprocal breakdown of the existing Peking intransigence. It is right that the door for negotiations should be left open as long as possible, but some signs must come from the Chinese Communists that they are willing to relent their present uncompromising approach to the subject. Failure to do so must eventually deny them the right to have their case even considered.

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# Acquittal In Unique "Murder"

Reggio Emilia, Jan. 21.  
A 49-year-old engineer was acquitted of murder in connection with a unique train wreck six years ago in which nine starved lions escaped and killed and ate three men.

The Tribunal ruled that "the facts in the case do not constitute a crime" and exonerated the engineer, Ado Donato, of all blame.

On November 28, 1945, a 17-car combination passenger, freight and circus train was derailed in heavy fog at the Rubiera station near here when it ran full speed into an open siding. The assistant engineer was killed immediately.

The crash split open one of several circus cars and tumbled the smashed cages of nine lions, one hyena, three monkeys and snakes of various species into the fields.

The lions immediately attacked their trainer and tore him to pieces. They then mauled three of the passengers, including a woman and a British soldier, and escaped into the fields.

The lion roamed the countryside for several days, killing and eating three peasants and devouring cows and calves.

Posses of soldiers and peasants tracked down and killed eight of the lions. The ninth was captured and returned to the circus.

Engineer Donato was charged with direct complicity in the deaths of the three peasants because he, allegedly, did not exercise judicious care by taking his train into the siding at such high speed.

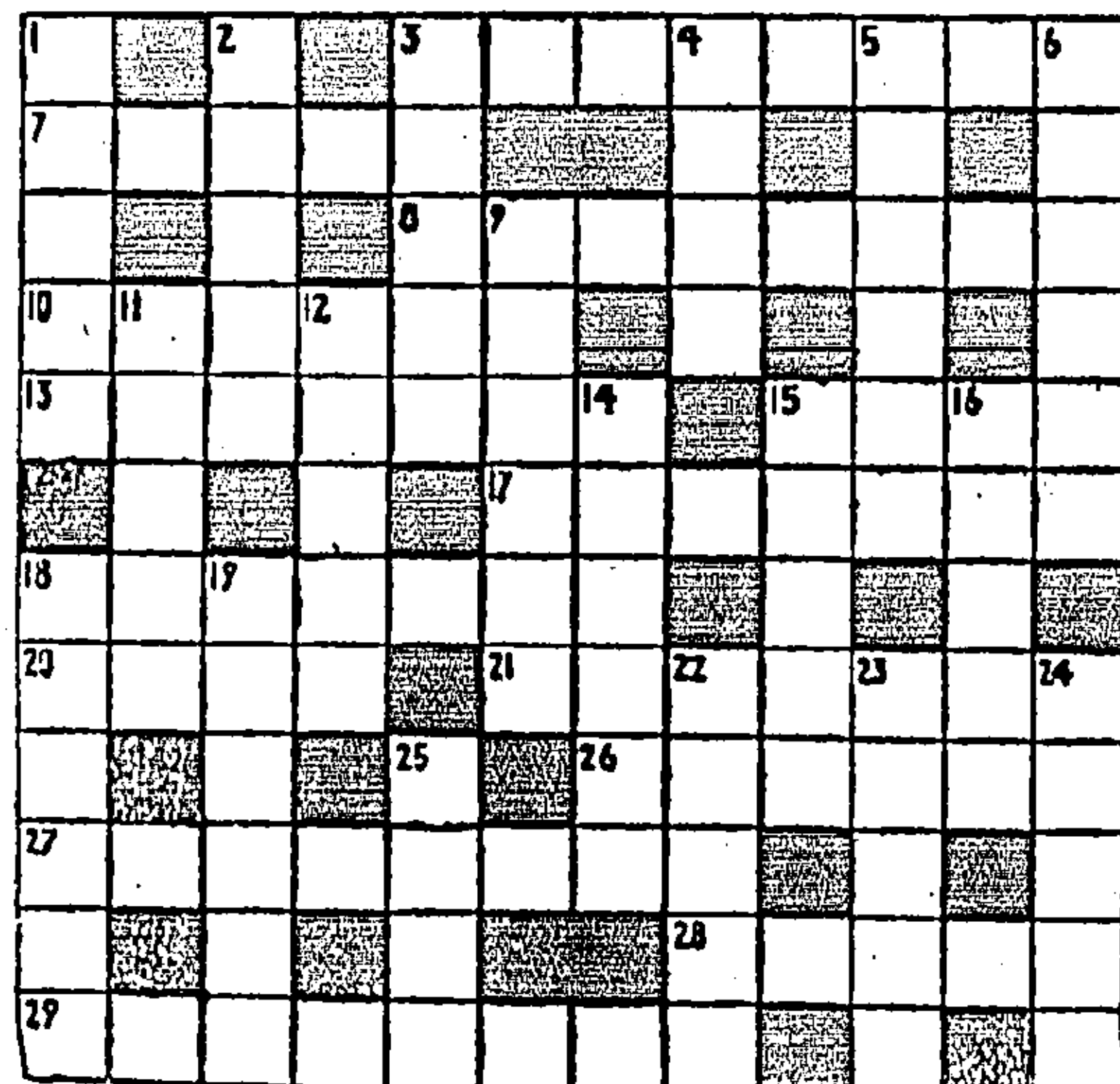
Donato replied that he could not see the signals and that at that time the railroad system was in chaos because of the war.

The state-controlled railway has paid indemnities to the relatives of those killed in the wreck plus restitution to the circus company for loss of its animals.—United Press.

## Egyptian Office In London

London, Jan. 21.  
The Egyptian Embassy today announced the establishment of an information office in London. The announcement said its purpose will be "to provide the British public with factual information of every aspect of the Egyptian life."—United Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle

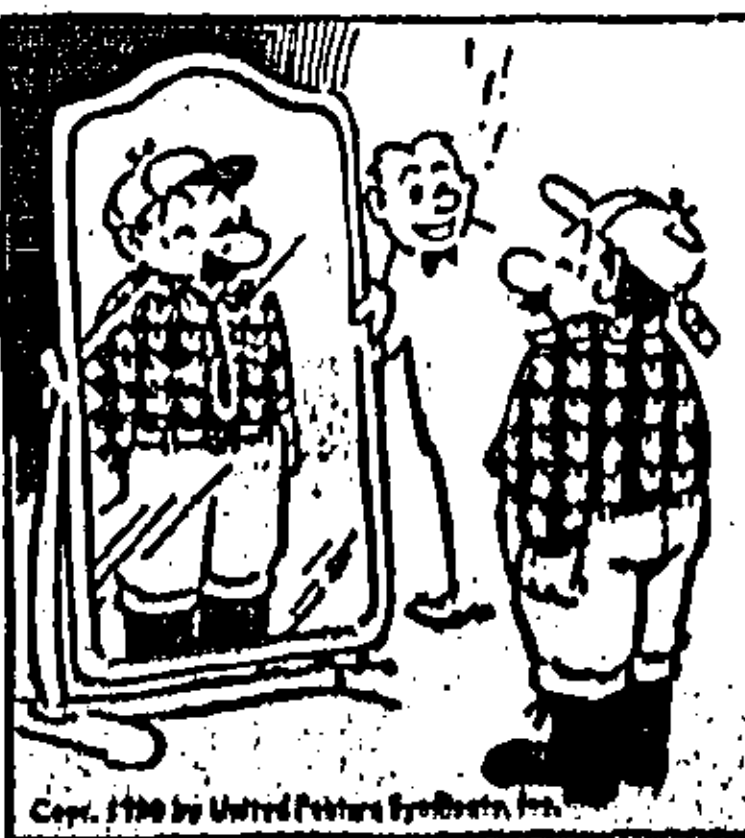
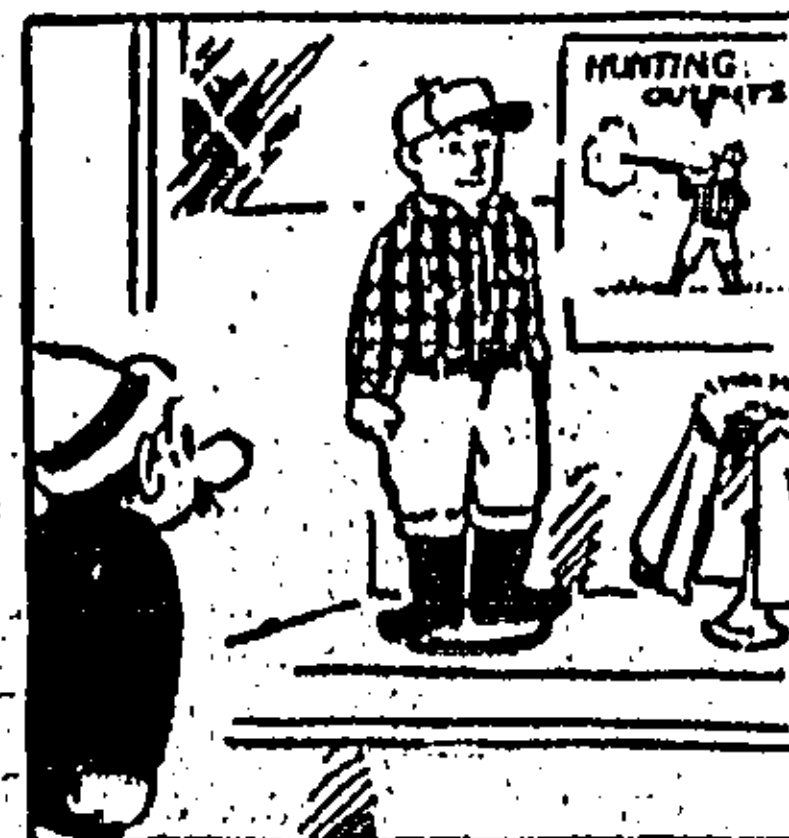


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- 3 Hazards.
  - 7 Torment.
  - 8 Cooking vessel.
  - 10 Builds.
  - 13 Possibly.
  - 15 Package.
  - 17 Shoulder ornament.
  - 18 Go back.
  - 20 Absent.
  - 21 Softens.
  - 26 Crambling centre.
  - 27 Once for all.
  - 29 Pure.
  - 30 Complete.
- DOWN
- 1 Precipitous.
  - 2 Bet.
  - 3 Match.
  - 4 Recurring click.
  - 5 Abrogate.
  - 6 Poem.
  - 9 Appearance.
  - 11 Renovate.
  - 12 Cautious.
  - 14 Oration.
  - 15 Collisions.
  - 16 Get to know.
  - 18 Slew.
  - 19 Military display.
  - 22 Contest.
  - 23 Duck.
  - 24 Plumb.
  - 25 Storage chamber.

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD. — Across: 1 Custom, 5 Lance, 8 Valid, 9 Screen, 10 Tonic, 11 Raven, 12 Ella, 13 Rises, 16 Repeat, 18 Choral, 20 Cheat, 22 True, 23 Rabid, 25 Strait, 26 Felled, 27 Sepia, 28 Chess, 29 Crusty. Down: 1 Cosmetic, 2 Surplus, 3 Over, 4 Manager, 5 Literal, 6 Adonis, 7 Crime, 10 Starling, 15 Shrewdly, 16 Rotates, 17 Pacific, 19 Harass, 21 Hatch, 24 Deer.

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# PEKING'S TREATY WITH RUSSIA

## Alleged Terms Of Secret Sino-Soviet Agreement Revealed

## WARNING TO ASIAN COUNTRIES

Washington, Jan. 21.  
The Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. George McGhee, warning the nations of South Asia and the Near East to build up their defenses against Communism, said today: "Soviet ambitions include taking over, sooner or later, inhabitants of the vast territory in the Mediterranean and Indian Ocean areas."

Declaring, "Peoples of the Near East and South Asia are increasingly disturbed by the threat of Soviet aggression and by developments in Korea and China," Mr. McGhee said, "There is growing recognition on their part that their own true interest calls for a step-up in their own efforts to strengthen their individual and collective defenses."

Speaking of Turkey, Mr. McGhee said, "The Turkish brigade of 4,500 men in Korea is equivalent population-wise to 34,000 American troops. We have all followed with admiration the fine prowess of the Turkish soldiers in Korea."

"A few weeks ago they volunteered for dangerous rear-guard action of great importance. Although surrounded, they accomplished their mission and fought their way out."

Mr. McGhee then said that Greece, which had defended itself at home against Communist aggression, sent her best troops to Korea.

In a reference to India and some of the Arab countries, he added, "Some States have unfortunately not seen eye to eye with us on all details of handling the conflict in Korea, but they have through their spontaneous cease-fire effort, sincerely sought to restore peace."—United Press.

## Rochdale Seeking Woman Workers

Rochdale, Lancashire, Jan. 21.  
Two officials of a firm of Lancashire cotton manufacturers are leaving Littleborough, near Rochdale, for Valetta, Malta, next week-end, to recruit women for the factory.

They hope to hire at least 60 women, aged between 18 and 30, to train as cotton operatives. The recruits would be paid during the training period.—Reuter.

## "Intervention In Korea Planned A Year Ago"

New York, Jan. 21.  
The Korean war was planned by the Chinese Communists under a secret pact they made with Russia nearly a year ago, the "New American Mercury" magazine will say in next Tuesday's February issue. Its editor, Mr. William Bradford Huie, says in an article entitled "Unknown Facts In The Korean War" that the Chinese Communists "planned and manipulated the Korean war from the start."

He writes, "In February, 1950, a treaty and a series of agreements were signed by the Russian and Chinese Communist Governments."

"Our Government should have learned the terms of the pact. From its actions apparently it did not."

Mr. Huie then gives "the more important terms" of the pact and says that in preparing the article he had the help of Mr. Ralph Wallace, who made a special trip to Formosa and Tokyo; of Freda Utley, author of many books on the Orient; and "of intelligence officers of the British, American and Chinese Nationalist Governments."

He continues, "Here, published for the first time, are the more important terms:

(1) Russia was to send 45,000 Soviet personnel to the China, of which 12,000 were to be assigned to the army, 8,000 to the air force, 3,000 to the navy, 5,000 to the 'political' sphere, 12,000 to 'industrial development', and 5,000 to 'cultural and educational' fields.

"Each company in the Chinese army was to have at least one Russian 'political' adviser, with the number of advisers being multiplied in the higher echelons."

DEVELOPMENT PLANS  
"(2) All mineral, oil, forestry and food resources of China were to be developed by joint commissions of Russians and Chinese."

"(3) To ensure the solidarity of the ruling position of the labouring classes China and Russia would co-operate fully in the field of 'economics and culture'."

"(4) There was to be 'complete co-operation' between all persons of both countries connected with security."

"Under the terms, the Russians immediately installed in the Chinese army the Russian system of the compartmentation of secrets; and this

## Congress Waiting On Eisenhower

Washington, Jan. 21.  
A great debate on American foreign policy appeared to be marking time today pending the return from Europe of the North Atlantic Pact Commander, General Dwight Eisenhower. Congressmen of varying degrees of isolationism and collective security seem to be converging towards tacit agreement that Gen. Eisenhower's report on the ability and willingness of Western Europe to defend themselves from possible aggression should be heard before any final conclusions were reached on United States policy.

But veteran politicians think they can already see the line that Gen. Eisenhower's report to the President, Congress and people will take. They think it will go something like this: 1. That the defence of Europe is necessary to the security of the United States. 2. That given further American aid and encouragement, most of the Western European nations will put up a strong fight to preserve independence.

They think that most of these nations have now embarked on a commendable effort to strengthen their defences which warrants further United States aid.

Observers contend that a negative report on European morale and determination to defend itself could only favour the Communist cause by encouraging defeatism and driving a wedge between the Allies already committed under the terms of the North Atlantic defence treaty to help defend each other.—United Press.

system defies the intelligence agents.

"(5) 'To help solve the economic difficulties of the Chinese,' Russia agreed 'to employ Chinese jobless labourers.' 'Already, under this term, more than 500,000 Chinese have been sent to Russia.'"

"When the 26th and 27th Chinese Communist armies rebelled in South China last year, the armies were broken up and the men sent to Siberian labour camps."

ARMY TRAINING

"(6) 'To meet Soviet emergency needs on the European front in a future war,' the 'People's Government of China' agreed to send labourers and expeditionary forces 'to serve under the Soviet High Command.'"

Mr Huie writes that "on matters particularly concerning the Chinese armed forces," the terms of the agreements were:

(1) The Chinese army was to consist of 5,700,000 men;

(2) Russia to be in control of training the Chinese army, and to equip 50 Chinese divisions;

(3) Communist China was to get 600 war planes from the Japanese naval craft Russia was awarded at the end of the Second World War.

(4) Russia was to get 12 air and 10 land bases.

KNEW IN ADVANCE

Mr Huie charges that in May, 1950, the United States Defence Secretary was informed by Chinese Nationalist intelligence of the movement of a crack Communist Chinese army, led by General Lin Piao, into Manchuria.

"That could indicate only one thing: an imminent attack on South Korea."

"The American people were told by their Government that the movement of Lin Piao's troops into Manchuria was a hopeful sign. It was hopeful because it indicated that China was stiffening her resistance to Russia."

"The Korea war, from the beginning, was a war between the United States and South Korea, on the one side, and Russia and Red China on the other," Mr Huie added.—Reuter.

## Only Nehru In Opposition

Karachi, Jan. 21.  
Ceylon's Premier, Don Stephen Senanayake, confirmed tonight that Pakistan's Prime Minister, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, had accepted an Australian proposal for stationing Commonwealth troops in Kashmir. He said all Commonwealth Prime Ministers who were at the Kashmir talks in London were in favour of the proposal, except Mr. Nehru of India.

"Even he had not said 'no,' he added. It was discussed and argued without any conclusion, he said.

The Ceylonese Prime Minister said this at Karachi airport on his way home from the premiers' conference.—Reuter.

## Arms Find In Garage

Milan, Jan. 21.  
The police today found an arms dump of 53 machine and tommy guns, 2,150 rifles, a mortar and 91 packing cases of hand grenades in the cellars of a garage on the outskirts of Milan.

They said the arms were in perfect condition, but did not say whether any arrests had been made in connection with the find.—Reuter.

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## Tibet Delegate Marks Time

Kalimpong, Jan. 21.  
Dzasa Surkhang, Tibet's Foreign Secretary and leader of the proposed Tibetan delegation to the United Nations, told the Press Trust of India today that he was not going to the United Nations for the present.

Surkhang returned to Kalimpong with some members of his delegation last night after attending a high level conference of Tibet's Ministers and officials at Yatung.—Reuter.

## Heavy Eruption Of Papua Volcano

Canberra, Jan. 21.  
The Australian Government is rushing medical and food supplies by ship from New Guinea, to Kileron, the nearest port to the Papua area in the south where the volcano Mount Lamington has been erupting since last Thursday.

This was announced tonight by Mr Percy Spender, Australian Minister of External Affairs, who said that the native population near the volcano was not large, but the area within a 50 miles radius was fairly heavily populated.

Aircraft from Lae had tried to land on some wartime strips in the Lamington area but failed because of poor visibility, Mr Spender added.

One aircraft had reported that huge rocks were being flung out of the volcano's crater.

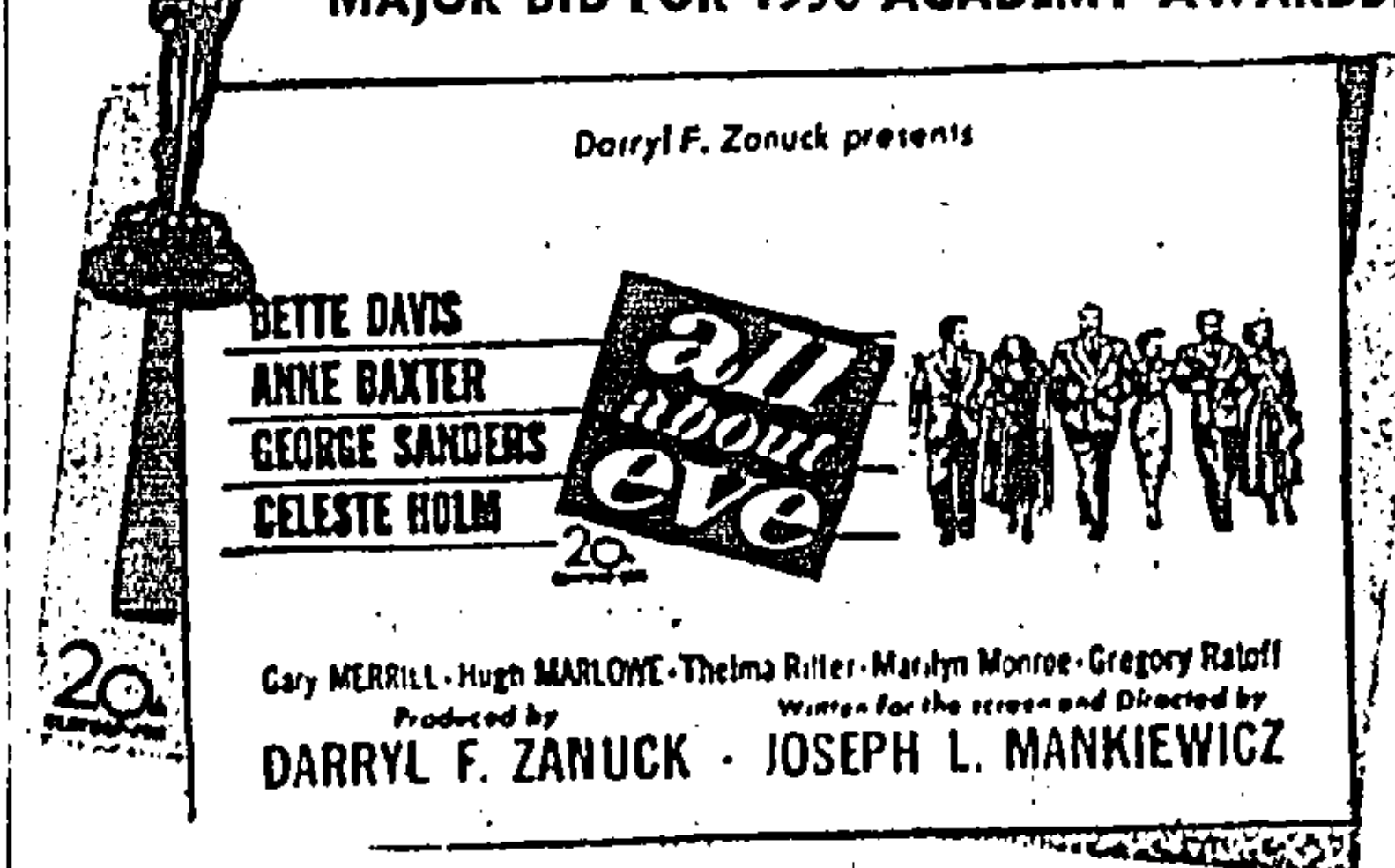
Landslides have occurred in the area and a "sandy colour-od" stream is flowing down a ravine, but it was not known whether it was water or earth. Heavy clouds of volcanic dust, reaching as high as 20,000 feet, were drifting towards Lae, to the north, and Port Moresby, to the south.

A rubber plantation owner, Mr H. P. Scarle, of Awala, a few miles from the volcano, was

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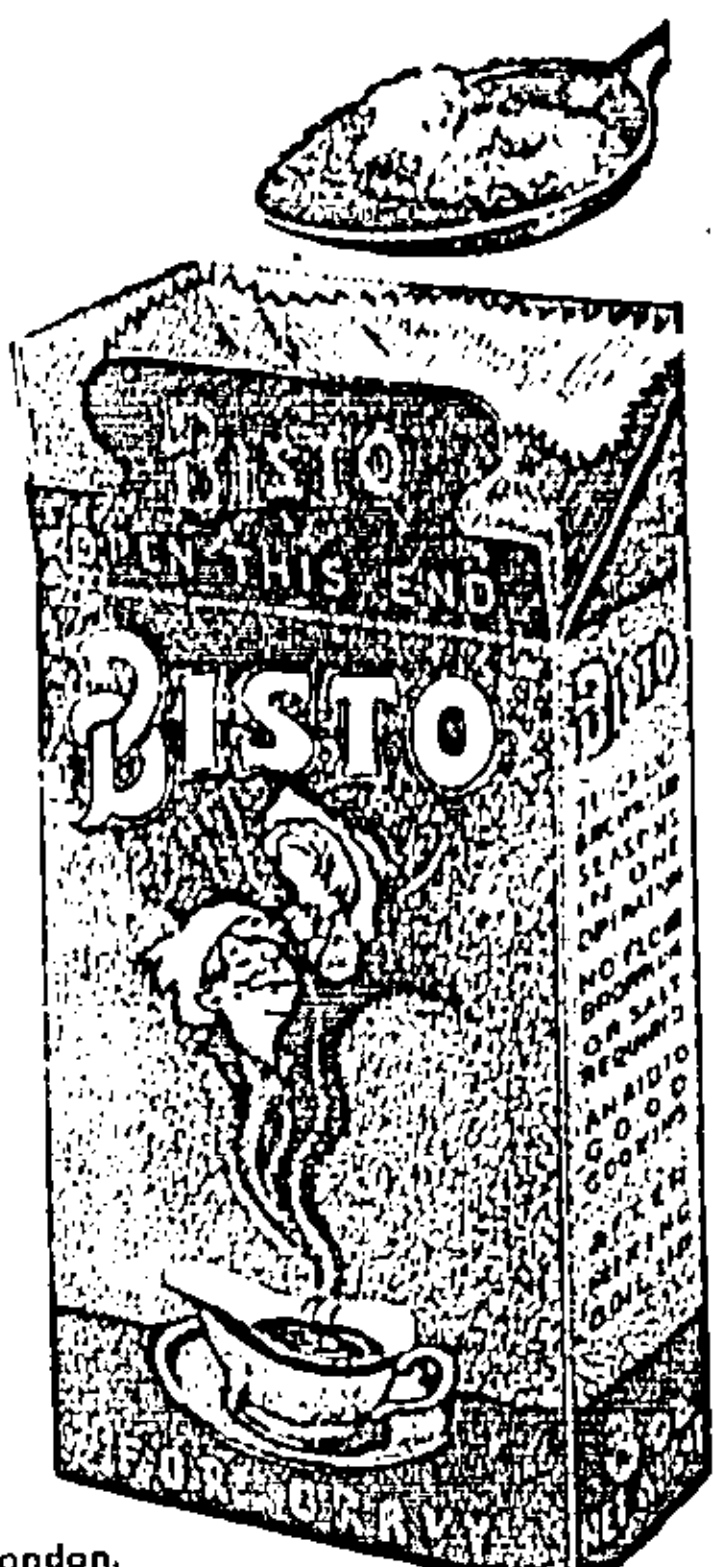
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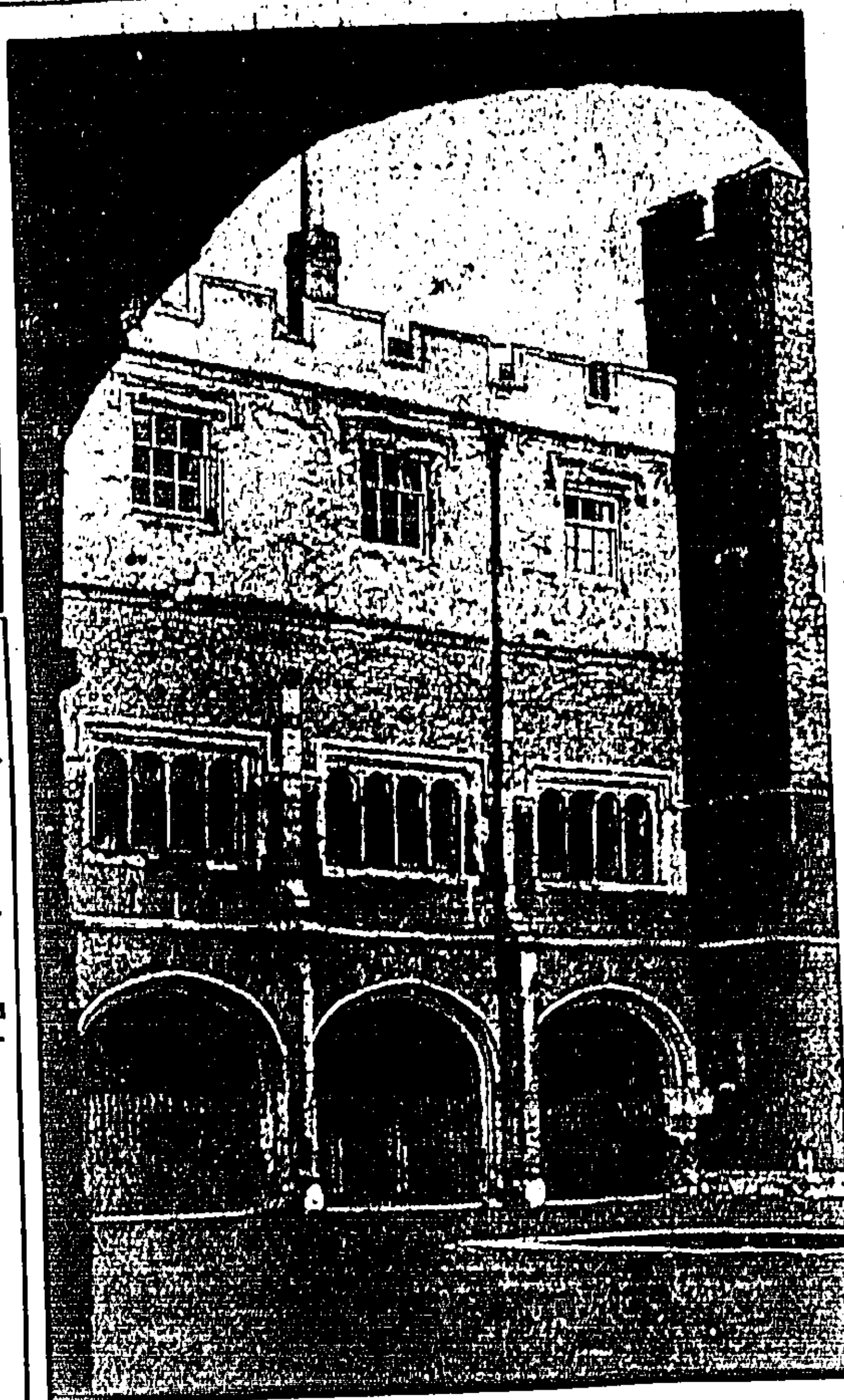
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Henry VI founded Eton College in 1440. Now its old buildings need repair. The Cloisters — seen here — are crumbling. Buttresses have decayed.



The tuck shop by the bridge has now been bought by the school stores, but it keeps its name over the door. Eton's term: the sock shop.

# ETON

## WANTS A MILLION

ETON COLLEGE, founded by Henry VI in 1440, is appealing to its old boys for £1,000,000 to restore its ancient buildings, modernise and rebuild certain of the boys' houses, rebuild and modernise its schoolrooms and build a swimming bath, when licences can be obtained.

Many people think that Eton, recognised as one of the most expensive public schools, is richly endowed. It costs £300 a year in fees, plus £10 a year compulsory games fee plus £21 entrance fee.

### King's Scholars

Few also realise that it is possible for a clever poor boy to go to Eton either at very reduced fees or free.

A large part of the income from the estates and investments of the Foundation is taken up by the maintenance and education of these boys, who are known as King's Scholars.

King's Scholars go back to the days when the school was first founded and comprised a Provost, 11 Fellows, Head Master, Lower Master and 70 poor scholars. Other boys from outside were admitted and were known as Oppidans, meaning a student not on the foundation who boarded in the town.

Now the Oppidans comprise most of the school, numbering 1080, and board in 25 Houses adjoining the College. The King's Scholars live in the College.

At Eton today King's Scholars are distinguished not only by their brains—they are reckoned to be among the cleverest boys of their age in Britain—but by their uniform.

Over the traditional tail coat and striped trousers they wear a black gown similar to that worn by a schoolmaster.

### The Fleming boys

Every year about 12 King's Scholars are admitted to Eton. They take a competitive examination which is open to any British boy who has reached his twelfth but not passed his fourteenth birthday. The boys must have reached a certain standard of education. In-

terview tops Eton with fees of £215 a year plus £15 games fee, with extra fees for special subjects. Entrance fee for Harrow is £12.

cluding a knowledge of Latin and Greek.

Fees for a King's Scholar never exceed £105 a year.

There are also 10 boys at Eton now under the Fleming scheme for taking boys from ordinary primary schools. Under this scheme the fees are paid by the local county education authorities. Eton would be willing to take more Fleming boys, but, so far, only Dorset and Hertfordshire have been willing to pay the fees for boys who reach the necessary standard.

### 80 masters

The Old Etonians also have a scheme for providing help for boys whose fathers or grandfathers have been killed in the war or are otherwise unable to pay for their sons' education.

Eton was founded as a religious institution, and education then consisted mainly of the Classics.

Now there are 80 masters and every subject is taught, including science, mathematics and modern languages.

But Eton remains one of the principal seats of classical education. Boys still give speeches in Latin and Greek.

The programme for the modernisation of the 25 Boys' Houses, including the complete rebuilding of two Houses at an estimated cost of £100,000 each, is likely to cost about £600,000.

The rebuilding of the Science Schools is estimated to need about £100,000 and in addition many other schoolrooms require modernisation involving further expenditure.

### Crumbling away

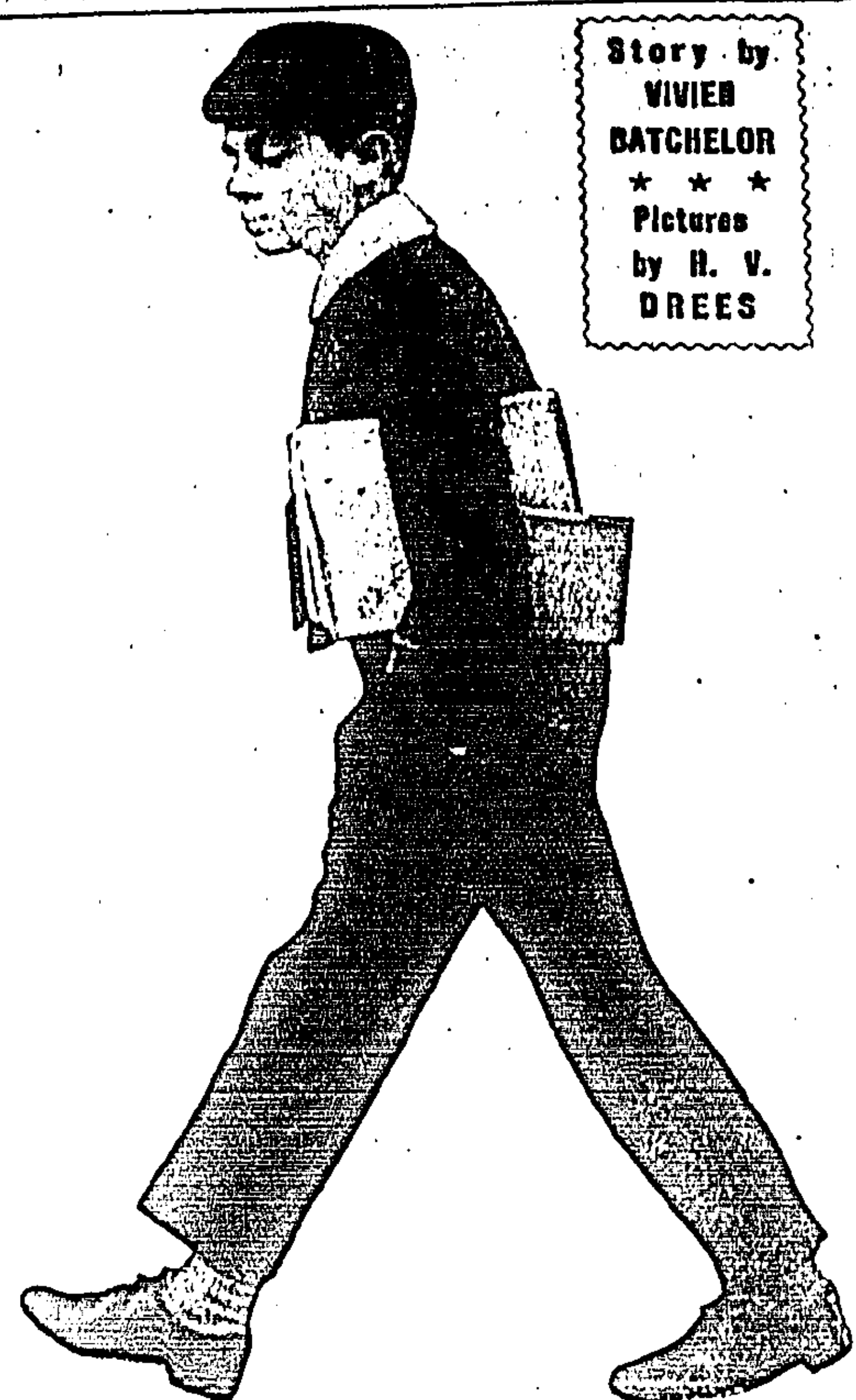
The new swimming bath will cost about £200,000 and large sums will be needed for the restoration of the ancient buildings, including the refectory of the west wall of the College Chapel and other extensive stonework repairs.

The ancient Cloisters, which are part of the original College building, are crumbling away and many buttresses have decayed. Death watch beetle has been discovered in many of the ancient beams supporting the original buildings.

There is little about Eton which agrees with the popular conception of a boys' school.

There are no dormitories. Every boy has his own bedroom in a house. Each house is controlled by a housemaster and a matron, who is known as a "Dame" and called Matam by the boys. There is no school dining hall. Boys have their meals in their houses.

Breakfast is just after eight. Lunch is not until 1.45. Tea is



Eton jacket over striped trousers: the uniform of the smaller Etonians. Boys of the Choir School also dress like this. They number about 30.



This is the hat shop at Eton. Before the war all boys wore silk hats. Now they are not compulsory. Most go hatless.

just after six, and supper is at eight.

Since the war most boys start their school life at Eton in second-hand suits. As boys outgrow their suits or leave the school their tail coats and striped trousers go into a common pool to be handed on to new comers.

The 15th century chapel

which was badly damaged in the war and is crumbling with age has its own choir. The choirboys are not Etonians, but belong to the Choir School which is held in the College. About 30 young boys with good voices go there. They wear a short Eton jacket over striped trousers, instead of the tail coat.

(London Express Service)

# GALLERY OF SEA HEROES

BY TREVOR BLORE

DEEDS of gallantry and fine seamanship over nearly a century are recorded in six large volumes kept today in a small office of a tall, modern building in the heart of London, headquarters of Britain's Ministry of Transport.

There, in the copper-plate writing of civil servants long since dead, or in the calligraphy of clerks of today, are stories of some of the heroes of the sea since 1856—simple, straightforward accounts of gallantry by men of many nations, from the Argentine to Iceland, from India to U.S.A. It is, indeed, a gallery of heroes.

At the other end of the record, nearly a century ago, is an entry telling of the award of silver medals to 17 Irishmen who went to the rescue of the sailing ship Emerald, wrecked at Queenstown, off Southern Ireland in 1856.

One of the latest names to be recorded in the book is that of an Australian, Chief Officer William John Bunnay, of the Changsha, who risked his life to rescue five Chinese fishermen from a waterlogged boat in a storm off the China coast. Twice he went over the side of his ship in a bowline to drag the fishermen to safety. Again and again he was battered against the ship's side, until it was thought that he must be

knocked unconscious. King George VI on the recommendation of Britain's Minister of Transport, awarded him the Bronze Medal for gallantry in saving life at sea.

Another early entry hints, in the formal, official language, of a pathetic story. Dated 1880 it records that 230 has been invested for Elsie Mary Clements, an orphan daughter of David Clements, a coastguard who lost his life when he went down the cliffs near Salcombe, Devon, in Southern England, to try to rescue some wrecked French seamen who were clinging to a rock in the midst of heavy seas.

In the records of 1911 is the story of the master of the Swedish ship Nereus and five of his crew who were awarded the silver medal for gallantry for rescuing four men from

the British schooner "Bessie" which was sinking in the Baltic after being in collision with a Russian ship. The following year two Spanish fishermen got similar medals for risking their lives to save six men clinging to the hull of the British schooner Elizabeth Llewellyn which capsized off the Spanish coast in heavy seas.

In these records one of the greatest and most dramatic sea rescue stories concerns the saving of some 600 souls aboard the United Kingdom liner Volturno which, with 561 passengers and a crew of 93, caught fire while on a voyage from Rotterdam to Canada in 1913. It takes some 20 pages to tell the story of the blazing Volturno, wallowing in huge seas, out of control for lack of steam. Ships of five nations raced to the rescue to carry out this difficult and dangerous operation. For this gallant effort nearly 200 silver medals were awarded, 88 to Germans, 40 to Americans, 33 to Frenchmen, 20 to Russians and the rest to British seamen.

Moving down through the years one finds the story of a rescue by an Icelandic, followed immediately by the record of gallantry of an Algerian. In 1943, for instance, the Government of the United Kingdom suitably recognised the bravery of men of Spain,

Portugal, Norway, Iceland, and the Argentine. Even more recently is the case of men of the Icelandic Life-Saving Association who climbed down a cliff by ropes, risking their lives to save the crew of the United Kingdom trawler Dhoon, wrecked in terrible weather on the Icelandic coast. Four sea gallantry medals were awarded to the leaders of this rescue.

So runs the record, telling of deeds in which men often sacrificed their own lives to save others. Such a one was 19 years old Kenneth John Wilson, of London, who died in 1949 trying to save the boat-crew of the petrol tanker Nasarius who had been overcome by fumes. Wilson was posthumously awarded the prized Albert Medal, reserved to British subjects, while two other members of the tanker's crew, a deckhand and a pumpman, were awarded the George Medal.

Britain's Ministry of Transport is always on the watch for heroes of the sea who help to save British seamen, so that they may be suitably honoured. Experts assess the degree of risk taken by a rescuer and then recommend a suitable reward, after which the Minister of Transport is empowered, under the Merchant Shipping Act, to recommend to the King the award of gallantry medals, or himself give recognition of a deed of gallantry or fine seamanship with a gift of baronetcies, binoculars, silver cigarette boxes or cases, or a presentation of silver plate. The last usually to the commanding officer of a ship which has carried out a rescue.

For gallantry at sea British subject may win the George Cross, the Albert Medal—now awarded only posthumously—the George Medal, the Sea Gallantry Medal, the British Empire award or the King's Commendation. Generally, for lesser deeds, the Minister of Transport may give silver binoculars, or a cash award with a letter of appreciation, or even just a letter of appreciation in the name of the Government of the United Kingdom.

## New Brain needs a cold tonic

From CHAPMAN PENCHER

PARIS.—A huge electronic "brain," believed to be the most advanced of its kind in the world, has just been built for the Government by a team of Manchester engineers.

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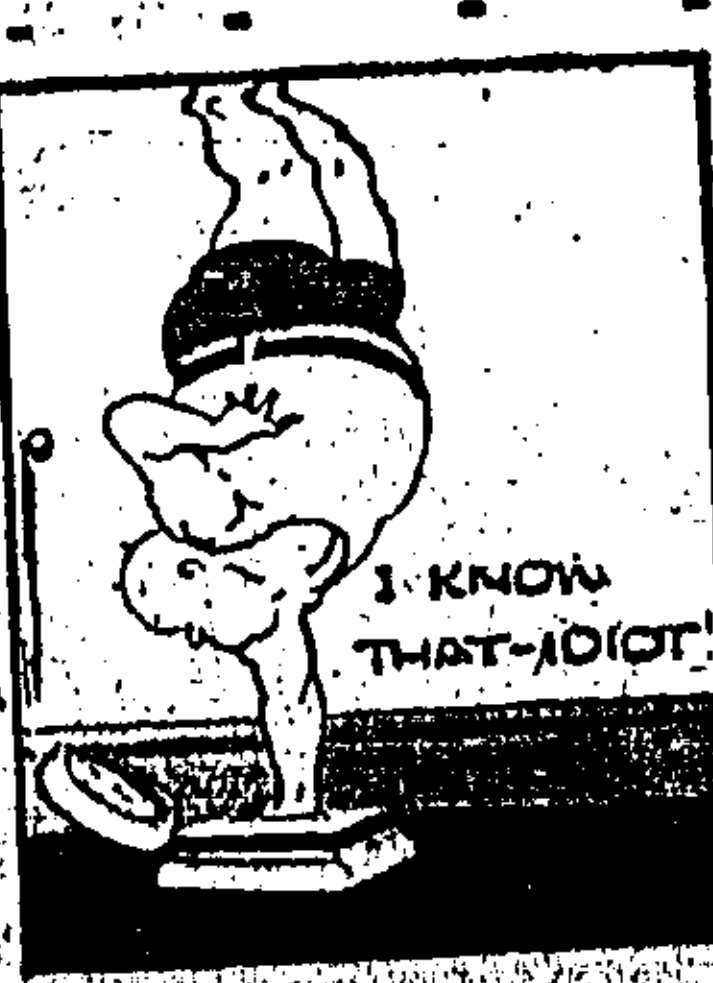
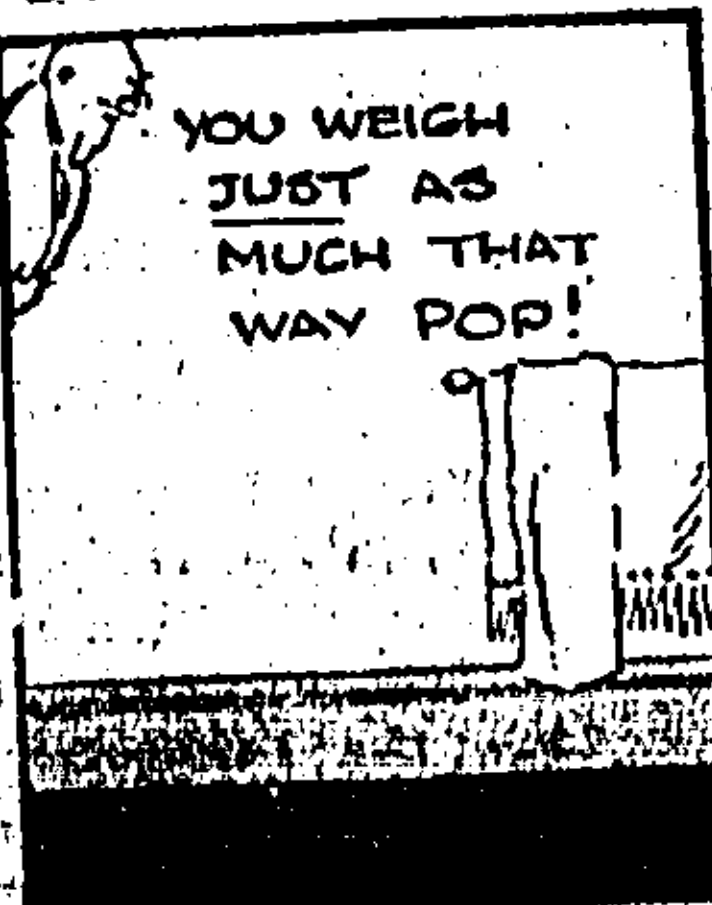
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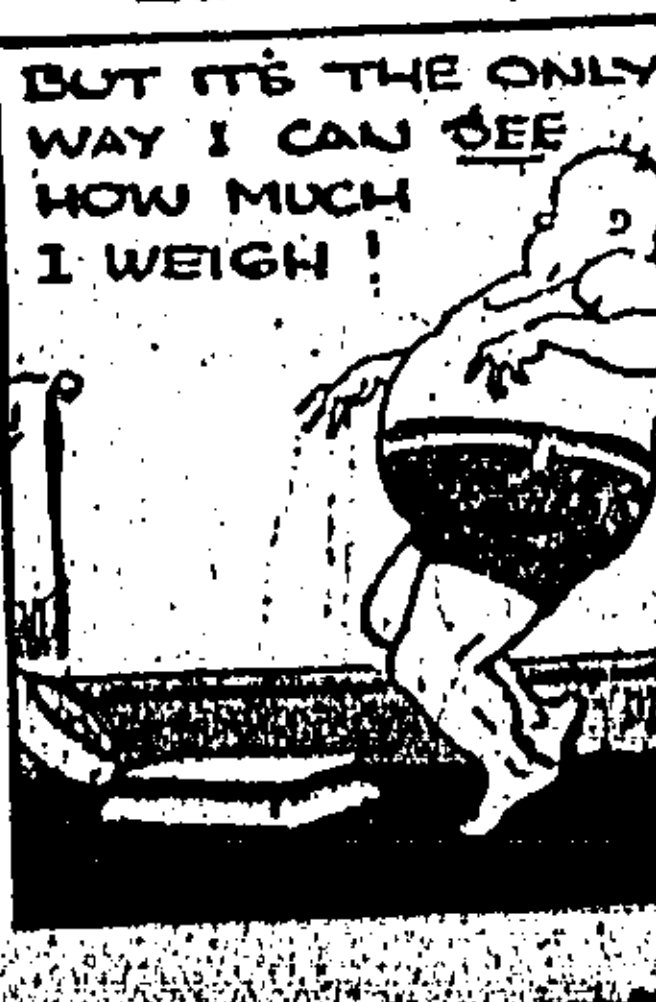
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# BLIND VOYAGE

## WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE:

Both Teddy (Theodore) Raynor and her childhood chum, Hugo Albright, receive strange letters from a Dr. Smittling, travel agency operator, soliciting their participation in a cruise aboard the yacht Golden Gull. Dr. Smittling tells them it is being privately sponsored by an eccentric who prefers to remain unknown. Denis Graham introduces himself to Teddy and tries to dissuade her from joining the cruise. He reveals that the Golden Gull was the name of a secret society of which her father was the leader. Old Raynor had suspected a double-cross by a member of the society before his death. Graham points out the similarity of names and the queer way of selecting passengers make the scheme look sinister.

## NOW READ ON

66 **W**HAT do you think this person's purpose is?" asked Teddy.

"I don't know—but I'm very much afraid of what it might be. Whatever it is, I fear there is danger involved for any one who takes the cruise, and I urge you most strongly not to consider it."

Teddy laughed. "You sound awfully melodramatic—but I think you're letting your imagination run wild. At any rate, you've made me really interested in the cruise now. Mystery appeals to me. I think I shall sign up!"

For a while after Denis Graham left Teddy sat thinking of all that he had said. Could his fantastic yarn about the Order be true? It sounded like her father, and yet . . . she wondered.

She was still sitting there, when her aunt came in from a shopping expedition.

"Auntie," Teddy said at once. "I've news for you. I'm going on that cruise."

Aunt Elsie flopped into a chair. "I knew it!" she said, in exasperation. "I just knew it. I told Hugo that, if you went to see that Smittling man he'd talk you into it! Your father should never have left you in control of all that money! If you wouldn't be able to do every crazy thing that pops into your head!"

Teddy pulled herself on the arm of her aunt's chair, and put an arm around her. "Be a sport, Auntie dear," she said coaxingly. "We'll probably have a swell time." Aunt Elsie sighed. "You always get your way, Theodore—just like your father. I never could do a thing with him, either."

Teddy was silent a moment, then asked slowly, "Auntie, was Father given to secret societies—and things like that?"

"For heaven's sake, what put that into your head? But he probably was—it would be just the sort of things that would appeal to him."

"You don't know of any one in particular, though, do you?" asked Teddy.

"Why do you ask?" Aunt Elsie looked keenly at her. "Oh . . . just something Hugo said."

Aunt Elsie hesitated, then said, "No—I can't say I ever heard your father mention any such thing."

Teddy got the impression that her aunt was holding something back, but she was afraid to press the subject any further.

The very next morning she sent a cheque to Dr. Smittling to pay for cruise tickets for both herself and Aunt Elsie. She rather dreaded the prospect of breaking the news to Hugo and, when he took her out to dinner that evening, put off mentioning it.

Then, to her surprise, she found that he already knew—and was remarkably calm about it.

"I dropped in to see Smittling again this afternoon," he said, "and I understand that you've decided to take the cruise. I suppose there's no use trying to stop you?"

"No," Teddy smiled sweetly. Hugo shook his head. All he had to say was, "You're the stubbornest, most ornery girl I ever knew!"

"Thanks," she said, suddenly, Hugo grinned. "Well anyway, I bought a ticket myself this afternoon."

"Oh, Hugo! Did you?" "Yes—I thought I'd better come along and protect you." "What did you think of it?" Teddy asked eagerly. "Knowing our two fathers as I did, I believed the part about the secret society. As for the rest of his yarn—well, I don't know. I suspect he deliberately made that up to scare us out of taking the cruise. Or perhaps he knew it, and subtly made sure that we would make the cruise by appealing to our spirit of adventure."

"Why are you suspicious of him?" "I made some inquiries about him today. I found that he's known about town as a rather strange character—a mystery. He seems to have plenty of money, but no one knows where it comes from. And he has quite a faculty for disappearing."

"But why should he care whether we make the cruise or not?"

"I haven't an idea," Hugo said slowly. "but I doubt very much whether he's simply interested in our welfare. It isn't logical. No . . . he's up to some game, I'm almost sure."

Teddy was thoughtful, weighing Hugo's bluntly expressed opinion of Denis Graham. "Hugo," she said finally, "I don't agree with you. I like Mr. Graham. I can't believe that he has a game or that he means either of us any harm. I thought his suspicions about this cruise were rather fantastic, but I thought him sincere."

"You would say that!" Hugo retorted. "He's the type that appeals to women. Slick, well dressed."

"He's well dressed, certainly"

—but he doesn't look sick! I thought him very charming."

"I thought you had more sense!" said Hugo. "Charming! A charming crook—that's what he probably is!"

"You're the senseless one!" Teddy said hotly. "Just because he's considered something of an enigma doesn't mean he's crooked!"

Hugo started to make an angry reply, then checked himself and grinned.

"All right—let's not quarrel. We're two idiots to be fighting over a perfect stranger." Teddy, too, subsided. "Yes—and anyway, we're agreed that we're both going to be aboard the Golden Gull when she sails two weeks from now, and so—"

"By Jove!" Hugo said suddenly in a low voice. "There's Graham now!" He crushed out his cigarette impatiently. "If he's following us I'm going to put a stop to it!"

Teddy looked around and saw Graham standing in the doorway. He was in full evening dress.

"Don't be silly, Hugo. This is one of the best-known restaurants in town. It's just a coincidence that he's here." As she spoke, Graham caught sight of them and came over to their table.

"Good evening, Miss Raynor," he said, in his pleasant voice. "Evening, Albright. May I join you for a few minutes?"

Teddy smiled and said, "Please do," but Hugo glowered. "I'm waiting for a friend," Graham explained, sitting down. "And so you thought you might pass the time telling us some more tall stories?" Hugo said rudely.

Graham was disconcerted. "I thought I had convinced you last night."

"I didn't know so much about you then," said Hugo. "So?" Graham raised his eyebrows. "And what have you learned since?"

"Never mind—I've made inquiries." Graham rose. "I'd like to be friends with you, Albright—but apparently you don't wish it. I'm sorry."

He bowed stiffly to Teddy, and abruptly walked away.

"Hugo!" said Teddy indignantly. "Do you have to be such a bore?"

"I guess I did go a bit too far," apologized Hugo guiltily. Then, looking after Graham, "I say! See the friend he's meeting!"

Just as Graham had reached the door, a beautiful young woman had entered. He greeted her bending over her hand, then followed her as the headwaiter escorted them to a corner table.

Everyone turned to look at her. Though simply gownned, she created the most striking appearance of any woman in the room. Her hair was a natural gold that shone in the light, and her face had a beauty that was definitely distinctive.

A little later they had finished their dinner and were about to go on somewhere else to dance, when the headwaiter came up to Teddy with a card in his hand.

"Excuse me, Miss Raynor." "What is it, Charles?" "The lady there in the corner—with Mr. Graham—asked me to give you this."

Teddy took the card—a visiting card engraved with the name, "Miss Charles Winslowe." On it, hastily scrawled in pencil, was the message:

"Please forgive this lack of convention, but may I call on you tomorrow morning? It is important."

Teddy hesitated a second, then made up her mind. "Tell her, Charles, that the answer is yes."

The headwaiter bowed, and moved away. "Am I allowed to know what this is all about?" Hugo grumbled.

"Teddy, without a word, handed him the card. He read it, then whistled softly. "Well! Life was never as crazy as this in Chicago! I wonder—"

# MILDRED SNOW GLEASON

who she is and what she wants?" "With that beauty and chic," commented Teddy, "she ought to be somebody prominent, but Charles doesn't know her, and it's rare that he doesn't know anybody who is anybody in this town!"

"New York isn't the only town in the world!" Hugo laughed. "But come on—let's go and dance. I've had enough mystery for today!"

They went on to a night club. Teddy couldn't get Charles Winslowe out of her mind. When she saw a friend of hers who was a newspaper columnist, she called him over to their table.

"Jake Hatty—Hugo Albright," she introduced. "Jake does a gossip column, Hugo. Knows everyone in town. . . . Listen, Jake, do you know a woman named Charles Winslowe?"

Jake, who was a fat, amiable-looking young man, screwed up his chubby face.

"Winslowe? No, never heard of her. . . . Wait a minute! What does she look like?"

Teddy described her. Jake was all ears. He eagerly hitched his chair closer to Hugo's.

"Listen, Albright—if you've got any dope on Miss Winslowe, give me the exclusive story, will you? Every columnist in town has been trying to find out who she is. Boy, what a scoop!"

Hugo took a deep breath. "Well, all right—here it is. Four years ago the lady now rumoured to be a grand duchess was a nursemaid in the home of some friends of mine in Chicago."

Teddy looked incredulous. "Hugo! Not really!"

"Boy!" Jake exclaimed. "If I could only use that! What a story. Glamorous! Mystery! Woman an Ex-Nursemaid!"

"She didn't look quite so glamorous then," Hugo said drily. "That's why it took me a while to place her."

"Where did you meet her, by the way," asked Jake. "I mean here in New York."

"We didn't meet her," Teddy explained. "But we saw her in the restaurant where we had dinner. She was with a man named Denis Graham."

"Oh, yes—Graham. He's her usual escort. She's seen all over town with him."

"Do you know Mr. Graham?" Teddy asked quickly. "Yes—but I don't know much about him. Nobody does. But he's a prince of a fellow. Always pays the bill." Then Jake added, "Do you know him?"

"I've met him," said Teddy. "Hugo and I are going on a cruise in a couple of weeks, and we—uh—happened to run into him in the travel bureau, and later he came to see me—to talk about the cruise."

"I see," murmured Jake. He pushed back his chair. "Well, I've got to be moving. Nice to see you, Teddy."

"Wait a sec, Jake," Teddy hesitated. "Tell us what you do know about Mr. Graham. Hugo and I are—er—rather curious about him."

"Sorry—there's nothing to tell," Jake evaded. "I've told you all I know. . . . Well, so long. I'll drop in to see you before you go on this cruise."

He waved nonchalantly, moved off toward the door, and disappeared.

"Jake does know something about Mr. Graham," Teddy said thoughtfully.

Then, "It's queer about the Winslowe woman, isn't it? What do you make of it, Hugo?" "I don't know—but let's forget both of them and dance."

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NOTICE TO MEMBERS

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Saturday, 27th January 1951

There are nine races. The First Race will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be rung at 2.00 p.m.

Through Tickets (9 Races — \$18.00) may be obtained at the Comptroller Office of the Club, 1st floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Pearce Memorial Cup" scheduled to be run on 28th February, 1951.

Through Tickets reserved for this Meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 26th January, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

To avoid congestion at the Club's Offices at Telephone House, non-members are requested to purchase their sweep tickets at the Club's Branch Offices at: 3, D'Almeida Street, Hong Kong or 382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

## MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

SETS OF MEMBERS' AND LADIES' BADGES WILL NOT BE ISSUED FOR THE 1951 RACING SEASON UNTIL 1ST APRIL, 1951. 1950 SETS ARE VALID UNTIL THEN.

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

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The Branch Offices and the Treasurer's Comptroller Office will close at 11.00 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. The Treasurer's Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office are situated at 1st floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of lifts will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3.00 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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BY ORDER

S. A. SLEAP, Secretary.

# THE KREMLIN FETES THE SECRET POLICE

By

PATRICK MATTLAND

Correspondent for The Times during the war and editor of The Fleet Street Newsletter.

RUSSIANS "warmly greet the workers of the Ministry of State Security and are firmly convinced that the members of the Soviet intelligence will always remain worthy and reliable defenders of the October Revolution conquests, and always remain faithful soldiers of the Party of Lenin and Stalin."

Such was the final paragraph of a panegyric of the Soviet secret police broadcast on a recent anniversary of the founding of the Cheka, now known as the M.V.D. (Ministry of State Security), by Felix Dzerzhinsky, a former friend of Stalin, Trotsky and Lenin. His black memory was more recently whitened and even glorified by Pravda. This guide of Soviet thought called him "the fearless knight of the Revolution."

In recent years, and not least at each official anniversary of the Cheka's foundation, it has become normal in the U.S.S.R. to laud as gentle and all-wise protectors of the proletariat the modern version of the feared Cheka, the Tzarist secret police; normal, that is, in the columns of the Press and on the radio.

## Make-believe

For the same broadcast passage quoted above began with this passage: "The workers of the U.S.S.R. know well that the members of the organs of State Security, whom the Soviet people by tradition call Chekists, and who have been trained and led by the Communist Party, are selflessly defending the security of their Socialist Fatherland . . . against the subversive activities of the agents of the imperialist countries. . . . The organs of State Security, reorganized into the O.G.P.U., and later into the M.V.D., following the wise directives of Comrade Stalin, have now developed an intensified struggle against this perniciousness."

Implicit here is a deliberate piece of make-believe which fools nobody in the U.S.S.R. and is not, indeed, intended to do so. It is not meant to fool, but to frighten. Here is the name of Stalin, like the name of the Tzar, coupled directly with the Cheka in its most

modern, most refined, most energetic and most ruthless form.

If the public did not well know what it was all about, why these passages in the Criminal Code of the R.S.F.S.R. which is in use throughout the Soviet Union: "The rendering of assistance, by any means whatsoever, to . . . the international bourgeoisie . . . and also to public groups and organisations, under the influence of or directly organised by that bourgeoisie in the conduct of activities hostile to the U.S.S.R. entails deprivation of liberty for not less than three years and confiscation of all or part of the culprit's property; to be increased in especially grave circumstances to the supreme measure of social defence, death by shooting." (Art. 58, para. IV.)

That passage should be read alongside these words of M. Molotov to the Vth Congress of Soviets: "Mass projects employing those deprived of liberty are organised for variety of different objectives: for highway construction, in particular for railways, in the building industry, in peat exploitation, in charcoal burning, in metallurgical plants, in timber work, in phosphoric mining, stone quarries, gravel and stone crushing, and in transportation projects."

## New projects

When the White Sea-Baltic Canal was finished in 1933, some 72,000 prisoners were admitted to have been engaged on it, for they were amnestied. When the Moscow-Volga canal was finished in 1937, some 65,000 were received an amnesty. As the first postwar Five-Year Plan draws to an end, three vast new projects are announced: the world's greatest hydro-electric power plants to be at Kulbyshev and Stalingrad, a Grand Turkmen Canal, 650 miles long, from the Caspian Sea to the Aral Darya River, to create "a fairyland" of happy life for the Turkmen, and the "Tzar" coupé directly with the Cheka in its most

The Soviet people know well what sort of fairyland of happiness lies in store for those who must do the actual building. Should they not otherwise have heard that these projects are the work of forced labour, Molotov has told them.

Amnesties show that at least some of the big public works have been built that way. And the public are reminded at each anniversary of the Cheka's foundation that the secret police continues to exist and is always looking for more labour. Indeed, the Soviet author, Dr Vladimir Gsovsky, in his "Soviet Civil Law", openly says of the system: "The Cheka endeavoured to produce such a looming terror of swift, direct and unpredictable measures . . . that even the mere mention of the name would destroy the desire to sabotage, to extort, to plot." The name reappears, it may be observed, in the anniversary radio broadcast cited above.

## Odd thing

The terror, in fact, exceeds anything known in modern times outside the Nazi regime. There are not known to be gas chambers; but there is known to be torture, and there are persons who have lived through it. There are Kravchenko and hundreds of others; some who have written books; some of the hundreds of Red Army deserters in Europe during the past five years, have testified vividly.

I recently talked with a Russian woman who at the age of 17 had been ransomed from the U.S.S.R. when that country so urgently needed gold that it would sell a passport for a down payment of gold coin. That was in the early '30s. This young woman casually mentions that she took it all for granted. Nobody thinks of respecting human life as such; you just take care not to get on the wrong side of the system. And everybody knows that you have to take care."

The evidence abounds; and the tales of terror are manifold. A German I know said a few

months ago: "In 1945 I was sent by my firm to contact with the Russians in Berlin. I came back last January after a four-year sojourn in Kazakhstan. I was a bricklayer. We built every sort of construction, and at work one had the chance to talk with others. In our camp were German scientists who had been squeezed of their knowledge and then despatched to end their days in the heart of Central Asia as forced labour. There were Russian scientists who had done their best but fallen foul of the party line."

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**NOTICE**  
THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB  
TOTALISATOR TRIAL RACE MEETING  
Saturday, 3rd February, 1951

A Trial Race Meeting of four races will be held on the above date at 3.45 p.m. (First Sadding Bell 3.15 p.m.), when the Electric Totalisator will be in operation.

There will be no cash sweeps for this meeting.

By Order,  
S. A. SLEAP,  
Secretary.

## Test Century

Madras, Jan. 21.  
The Commonwealth touring team led India by 19 runs with three first innings wickets in the fourth unofficial Test here when stumps were drawn the Commonwealth had made 380 for seven wickets in reply to India's first innings total of 361. Jack Ikin, the Lancashire all-rounder, completed his second successive Test century, making 110.—Reuter.

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# Ladies' Hockey League

## Championship Race

### Tightens Up

### VICTORIANS & RECREIO SNATCH FULL POINTS

By "OBSERVER"

Yesterday's two crucial games in the Ladies' Hockey League provided thrills galore as expected, both ending in a one-goal margin of victory for the winners. Hitherto unbeaten King George V "A" team sustained their first defeat at Sookunpo at the hands of the Victorians, going down by two goals to one, and at Recreio, the Portuguese ladies, repeated their one-goal triumph over the Gremlins.

Though not involved in the Championship race, the Gremlins Juniors claimed their share of the spotlight when their New Year resolution to be more "gremlinish" for 1951 resulted in their recording their first victory of the season, defeating the Dutch by one goal to nil. The goal was scored by centre-forward Mrs. Vianna in the first half.

**VICTORIANS 2-KGVs "A" 1**  
Superiority in ball control and better combination among the forwards gave the Victorians a well-merited win after leading by two goals to nil in the first half.

Their first goal came not until after 15 minutes of play, when a good throw-in by Anne Sainsbury sent Susan Whitworth racing with the ball towards the "D".

A good cross centre was missed by inside-right, Norah Buyers, but was well taken by Joan Crighton with a crashing first-time drive.

Five minutes later, right-half Anne Sainsbury was again responsible in initiating another good move. Taking the ball towards the circle she parted it to Joan Crighton, who in turn swung it across to the left.

Inside-left Mary Eddis missed it, but left-winger Beth McNaughton came dashing in from the left touch line and banged the ball hard into the net.

The KGV forwards had their turns at the Victorians' goalmouth during the first half, but their movements were inclined to the hit-and-run type and their passes were on the erratic side.

The schoolgirls, with speed and youth on their side, came back fighting in the second half, and repeatedly stormed the Victorian goalmouth, and it was only a grand captain's game by Peglyn Faber at centre-half that stopped them from scoring more than one goal.

Time and again she alone stood between the KGVs forwards and a sure goal.

Half way through the second half, the school's left-winger, Shirley Read, snatched a centre from the left, took the ball into the "D" and drove it hard past Pat Lederhofer.

Immediately after the bully-off, centre-forward Maureen Hodgkinson got through the defence in the centre and, with only the goalkeeper to beat, was tackled in the nick of time by Peglyn Faber.

The final whistle came with the hard-pressed Victorians the winners by two goals to one.

**Victorians:** Pat Lederhofer, Sylvia Franklin, Rita Langston, Anne Sainsbury, Peglyn Faber, Pauline Owen-Hughes, Margaret Whitworth, Norah Buyers, Joan Crighton, Mary Eddis, Beth McNaughton.

**KGV "A":** Sheila Graham-Cumming, Shirley Winterford, Louise Warring, Mary Elliott, Pamela Wright, Jeanette Davis, Shirley Read, Hilary Hale, Maureen Hodgkinson, Ruby Scott, Valerie Jillett.

**RECREIO 1-GREMLINS 0**  
At King's Park, Mother Road's Gremlins failed to reverse their one goal defeat by Recreio Ladies in the first round. Recreio's one goal, scored by centre-forward Amanda Silva, who seems to be the official scorer for the team, came after 10 minutes of the first half. Mrs. Read had her view blocked by one of her full-backs and she let it in.

After that the Gremlins settled down to the offensive and were in the opposition's territory three-quarters of the time but could make no impression on a Recreio defence that played to plan.

The plan was a simple one. The idea was to bottle up the Gremlins' most dangerous forward, outside-left Valerie Slade, and Recreio's classy full-backs and right-half "Girle" Danenberg did a good job by it.

So much so that Gremlins Headquarters issued instructions to keep the attack on the right wing. The right wing of Noele Simmons and Renate Kerr worked wonders and kept control of the offensive with the aid of half-backs Marjorie McNeill and Sheila Abraham, the latter always a dangerous half-back to

tackle as her enthusiastic swing at the ball includes a follow through that excludes any mercy for the opposition's shins.

However, the Simmons girl, a fine tackler, good dribbler and a tireless terror on the ball, has but one failing. She loses her head in front of goal. Her inside-right, Renate Kerr, was in good form yesterday but suffered from the same type of goal-shyness. Centre-forward Hilda Fowler was way off her best and was no menace.

Despite all this, there were no less in front of the Recreio goal and the home club's new goalkeeper, Doreen Ozorio, had a rough time of it and put up a superb show. She saved at least three near-certainties and, better than that, she had a habit of pushing the ball out to the right.

# Madcaps Throw The Senior League Pennant Race Wide Open Again

By "GRANDSTAND"

Backed by the vociferous efforts of their rooting line, Madcaps toppled League-leading South China by 8-4 in a brilliant softball exhibition, to throw the Senior flag race wide open again.

There was jubilation in the St Joseph's camp, for after breezing through with a 9-0 shutout over St Teresa's, the Madcap triumph gave them a new lease on playoff chances.

The Canucks completely routed the Reds as they whitewashed the opposition 14-0, while Overseas, who started off shakily in the curtain raiser, fought right back to register a 18-4 victory over the Dodgers.

In the Junior League, Blackhawk almost lost their first game of the season, as South China held them for six innings, but blew apart under the heavy barrage and succumbed 18-13. Another upset was recorded in the Midget league when St. Joseph's handed the Delawares their first defeat of the season, with a 2-1 noseout.

**SOUTH CHINA 4-MADCAPS 8**  
Madcaps went in to bat first and failed to score, leaving Barros stranded on second base, while South China struck twice on a walk and two successive singles amid wild expressions of ecstasy on the Caroline bench.

In the second frame, leadoff Willie Sprinkle singled and pilfered second and third bases in succession while Almeida and Correa struck out, but Ollie Vas came through with a timely single to chase the first Madcap run of the frames.

S. C. Wong fanned the breeze for the first out in South China's turn with the hickory and Kelly Silva-Netto found himself in difficulties when he walked P. F. Choy and Kan in succession, but a lightning double play pulled him out of the hole when Rabbit Leung bunted a pop-fly and Choy was nailed off second base by Frankie Correa's bullet peg.

South China drew further ahead in the third frame when Edo Almeida heaved a wild throw to first base with two sacks loaded and two away, for two Catcolins to cross the plate and lead 4-1. Madcaps claimed the lead in the fourth when they nudged one run right into battling form by connecting safely twice out of three times, and for good measure, threw in a sacrifice fly. Buzzy Wade belted the longest blow with a four-master.

Willie Sprinkle and Ollie Vas contributed to the Madcap success with two safeties each. Correa and Buzzy Wade registered an unusual twin-killing when Rabbit Leung bunted and unswayed fielder Wade sneaked in from the left patch to trap Choy off second base. Choy was the most surprised person on the field.

**SENIOR LEAGUE GAMES**  
Jimmy Criss, hurling for the Jokeys, aided his own cause with a perfect three in three batting performance, while he allowed only one scratch hit by Mamie Xavier which split an otherwise perfect game.

The Canucks had everything their own way against a feeble Red outfit, and in addition to scoring 14 runs against the hapless side, also added insult to injury as they banged hurler E. Ribeiro for 11 safe hits, which included a homer by Don Robbins, a triple by Kas-Nazarin, Tiger Hussain, A. Abbas and Ming Lau were the only ones that did not hit safely in the mass massacre.

K. K. Sit homered in this one-sided tilt, while the Overseas dished out two scintillating twin-killings when Fred Diesta flared out and Louis Rocha was nailed on the plate on a perfect throw from the outfield. The game ended when S. Bobbia popped out to the pitcher and A. Ramos was caught off base.

The uprisings were too much for the Caroliners, who are not accustomed to taking the back seat and failed to take advantage of the opportunities which were before them, particularly in the crucial sixth inning when they had the sacks choked with none away.

P. F. Choy was over-anxious and batted out of the box while Kan attempted a futile sacrifice. Y. K. Chan flared to end the rally which might have turned the tables in their favour.

The Madcaps were not to be denied their moment of victory, and to celebrate the occasion, Remde Sequeira burst across on Willie Sprinkle's second hit followed by Correa's single, at the same time blanking South China in their half.

With the fifth inning coming up, Madcap mentor Hollands issued hitaway instructions, and the result was a demoralising four runs manufactured around four solid blows, including a round-tripper by Buzzy Wade which sailed to the outer confines of the left field.

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## RESULTS AT A GLANCE

### SENIOR LEAGUE

Overseas 13 Dodgers 4  
St. Joseph's 9 St. Teresa's 0  
Canadians 14 Reds 0  
Madcaps 8 South China 4

### JUNIOR LEAGUE

Griffins 6 Falcons 4  
Aces 11 St. Teresa's 4  
Blackhawks 18 South China 13

### LADIES' LEAGUE

Wahoos 7 Pirates 0  
St. Teresa's 17 Clovers 8

### MIDGET LEAGUE

St. Joseph's 2 Delawares 1  
Lions 16 Black Arrows 12

### ON THE RECORD

### MAN BITES DOG AT CHATER ROAD

Ordinarily a softball game would have been as much significance as a dog biting a man, but when man bites dog, that's another story. One such turnabout occurred at the Hongkong Cricket Club on Saturday which will be the talk of the town for some time to come.

For one thing, softball is an improbable game on the sacred precincts, and for another, both teams had eleven players on each side, but even then the horseshoe horsplay would have escaped notice except for the humiliation of Frank Cleary's Americans at their very own national pastime by the so-called fancy pants cricketers by a 23-17 score.

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Sammy Smith at short-stop (or should it be slip) punished the horseshoe with an almost perfect performance with three safe hits in four tries. Tony Ruffett turned out to be a wolf in sheep's clothing, for the former captain of the Gremlins placed his hits carefully to contribute to the Club's triumph.

It must be said for the Americans that they were somewhat put off by unexpected swipes at the wide ones which may be cricket, but certainly not baseball.

Skipper Cleary did his best with three hits, a performance only equalled by renowned spike-wearing Harry Ayres who also registered two three-base

## Budge Patty Dropped From Ranking List

New York, Jan. 21.  
Wimbledon and French Tennis Champion Budge Patty, of Los Angeles, has been dropped from the 1950 American rankings following the annual meeting of the United States Lawn Tennis Association here on Saturday.

Patty was originally placed third by the ranking committee, behind national champion Art Larsen and Herbie Flam, but the meeting decided he had not played enough top tennis to merit the honour.

A sprained knee after Wimbledon kept Patty out of the United States Davis Cup team and the National Championship. Patty's name now will go into the record book as "unranked because of insufficient data."

All other rankings were approved so each player who was ranked beneath Patty moves up one place. The official list for 1950 now reads:

1. Art Larsen.  
2. Herb Flam.  
3. Ted Schroeder.  
4. Gardner Mulloy.  
5. Bill Talbert.  
6. Dick Savitt.  
7. Earl Cochran.  
8. Victor Seixas.  
9. Tom Brown.  
10. Sam Match.

The women's rankings were all ratified.—Reuter.

## NOTICE

### COLONY OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

Entries are invited for an open Chess Championship of the Colony for 1951.

The tournament is open to all players resident in the Colony of Hongkong.

It will be a double round in case of six or less entries and a single round event with more than six.

Entries and entry fee \$15.00 are to be sent to the Hon. Secretary, Room 14, French Bank Building (Tel. 36717).

Entries close at 5 p.m. on Friday, 9th February, 1951.  
L. SCHURE,  
Hon. Secretary.

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# WOMANSENSE



## Mothers' Common Complaint

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

IN this column I have said that if mothers would let the child feed himself as soon as he is able to do so and could also keep from saying a word about his eating and could keep their own insides serene there would be almost no eating problems. I know this is so, but I'm not always able to convince young mothers that it is. And even those who believe me in theory don't practise the advice.

The mother has her attention on having the youngster get the proper food, and a sufficient amount of it into his stomach now. She does not realise how him or the effect on his appetite tomorrow, two weeks or two months hence. She does not

consider that appetite is chiefly a matter of feeling and that all her unpleasant emotions over his eating reduces his appetite; that, therefore, the more she does or says to force food into him, the less appetite he acquires. But she just can't believe he will ever eat well if she lets him alone and doesn't do something and say something.

Thousands and thousands of mothers could have written the following letter:

### A-FEEDING PROBLEM

"Dear Dr Myers: My daughter, four and a half years old, has already developed a feeding problem, so I'm sending for your bulletin 'Eating Problems—Their Prevention and Correction.'"

"She will not eat her meals unless I feed her and then it

takes her at least an hour on her dinner. She has the habit of holding food in her mouth and dawdles constantly. Although she's perfectly healthy, she never seems to be really hungry.

"I think I could skip a couple of meals and she still wouldn't eat the next meal. I know this because I've tried.

"When I try letting her eat herself, I have to keep urging her on for every bite. I'm at my wit's end and it upsets me so much. I hope you'll be able to help me."

### A FEW MEALS

My reply to her is as follows:

You are wrong. She will eat without your feeding her if you quit feeding her today, tomorrow, the next day and all days thereafter. She might hold out for a few meals, even longer, but when she gets hungry enough, she will eat if you say nothing, look nothing, do nothing, breathe nothing, to annoy her. In case she grows nauseated after choosing to fast for several meals, consult your physician.

Of course, you may not have the "guts" to let her choose no food for two consecutive meals. You say you've tried letting her skip a couple of meals. But you gave up too soon. Her skipping one or two meals might have meant her total victory. Then you say that when you let her feed herself you "have to keep urging her on for every bite." You mean that you do so keep urging her. You have never tried long enough to prove you don't have to keep urging her. Try it for every meal for a while—a week or two—and you will discover your egregious error.

### BLOUSE DETAILS

Hand-painted blouses, intricately detailed with beads and sequins, seem to be coming up the fashion front. This is traced to some extent to the popularity of dressy separates.

Liveliness and colour of designs are cited as the factors in determining the popularity of these hand-painted blouses which differ from the conversational skirts of last season in the more intricate approach. "Action" patterns rather than still-life or abstractions, worked in a delicate manner and highlighted with vivid pastel or bright tones are the popular choice. Important blouse style is the classic tissue rayon skirt in white for which the design is centered at front and sometimes repeated at collar or French cuffs.



### Newest Twist In Aprons

FASHIONS call for aprons for dress-up, and the very newest twist is to wear them in the back as our illustration shows. It is a neat trick, especially for wear over a skirt that has been sat in a mite too much.

Buy one skirt length (waist to hem) plus about 9" of 42-50" wide taffeta or tulle. Just be sure fabric looks same on both sides.

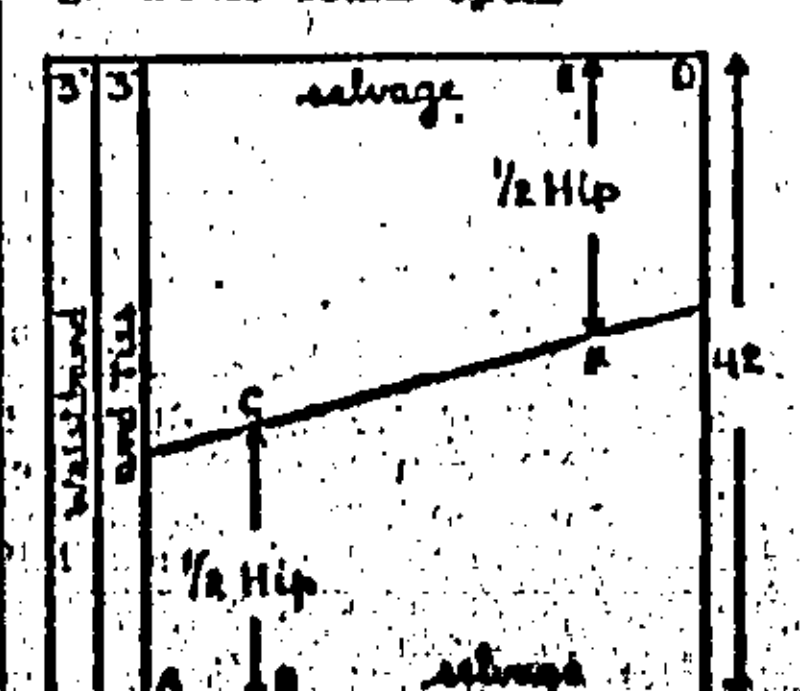
### Two Crosswise Strips

Straighten your fabric and measure off two crosswise strips each 3" wide. Join them together crosswise to make one long strip. This is to serve as both a waistline belt and ties for centre front.

See how easy it is to mark and cut. Simply measure 7 1/2" to right of A for B. C is 1/2" hip measure straight up from B. Starting with D at upper right-hand corner, repeat this procedure to locate E and F.

With a yardstick, chalk a line through F and C, from one crosswise edge of fabric to the opposite edge. Cut on this line.

Stitch a seam in centre back by placing these two bias edges together, points C and F meeting. Press seam open.



## Washing Your Glass Curtains

By ELEANOR ROSS

SUCH beautiful glass curtain fabrics as there are this year! And so easy to keep clean, too, for all but the very flimsiest of fabrics may be washed in the machine. That is, if curtains are sturdy and in good condition. Otherwise it has to be a hand job.

For this, shake gently to remove dust. Soak first in clear, cool water (85-90 F.) for 10 to 15 minutes. Repeat, if necessary. Wash in lukewarm, soapy water. Make a very heavy, mild suds. Squeeze suds through fabric gently, but don't rub. Squeeze out water, taking care not to twist fabric. Rinse three times in lukewarm water.

To wash by machine use lukewarm, soft water and a heavy, mild suds. Run washer from 3 to 5 minutes. Wash again, if necessary, for 2 minutes. Extract water. Rinse three times in lukewarm water, two minutes for each rinse. Sheer curtains do need a light starching. And always starch all curtains in one room in the same starch solution so all will have the same finish.

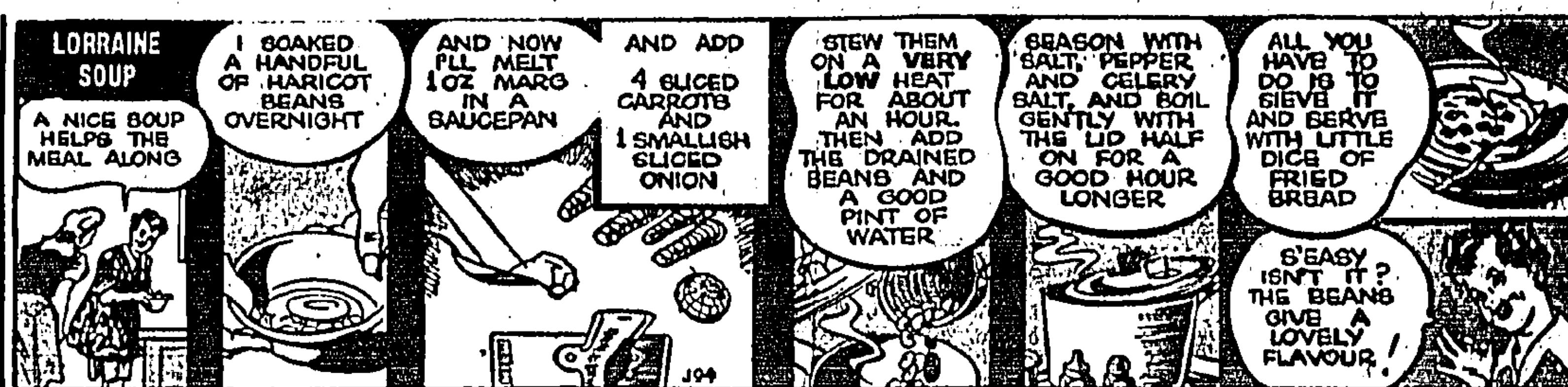
### Curtain Stretchers

Dry on curtain stretchers if possible (do not use on rayon curtains). Or, hang curtains carefully over clothesline, straightening edges carefully. Curtains with hems in the bottom can be dried by hanging on the rod at the window, one rod at each window, and running a heavy, rust-proof rod through the bottom seam. This gives a glass curtain a beautiful hang.

### Ironing

For a fine and easy job of handling sheer curtains, we suggest a steam iron, especially if curtains have been starched with a plastic starch. For plain curtains, iron selvedge edges first. Iron from top hem down. For ruffled curtains, if you do not have a steam iron, iron the body of the curtain, from top hem down, ironing ruffles last. Some women prefer to iron ruffles first, but as ruffles retain moisture longer try ironing body of the curtain first. Iron with grain of fabric. With steam iron, iron ruffles first.

Brush ball trim with a nailbrush; use whiskbroom on fringe. If curtains have been ironed with a steam iron, hang immediately. The slight moisture left from steam ironing, makes them drape well and hold their folds. If this cannot be managed, place them flat on a table or bed, until ready to hang. Snowy curtains make a lovely background for festive wreaths and greenery!



## A 'Dotty Smart' Idea



PICTURE BY JOHN FRENCH

Here is an experiment in "dotty smartness." It is a muffin hat, made in satin and traced in pearls and silver thread.

Best for brave girls who have a way with hats. Wearable with all-black for parties, for the theatre—and to provoke the other girl.

## Velours Day Coat



Gray reefer with braid trim. By GRACE THORNCLIFFE

FINE Oxford gray worsted velours is used for an overcoat that has somewhat reefer lines. The collar and revers are edged with black braid as are the double pockets which are worked right into the seaming. There is one lap over-pleat in the back. This is a simply splendid coat for all-day, general wear, owing much to fabric and line, and understated smartness.

## To The Delight Of Husbands

To the delight of husbands generally the inventors of a new brightly ink which glows brightly in the light of dawn and dusk or in a bad light, insist that it is not possible to use the principle for cosmetics. But the firm concerned, John Waddington, Ltd., of Leeds, in the North of England, say that the new ink may revolutionize poster advertising. They are much brighter than natural colours and can be seen and coloured as brilliant as neon lights, at four times the distance. Indeed, placed beside daylight in the dark they put the flowers altogether out of countenance.

## Film Actor Turns Comics Writer

Hollywood. John Wayne, one of America's most popular film stars, is almost as big a western hero as Hopalong Cassidy.

It keeps him just about as busy too. Wayne puts out comic books, sells John Wayne cowboy pistols and gives lectures to junior cowpokes on good sportsmanship.

Wayne says he just likes to keep busy. His schedule of films, of which the latest is Warner Bros. "Operation Pacific" (he rides a submarine, not a horse), would be enough to keep most actors well occupied. It's only the beginning for Wayne.

He is also a film producer, making him one of the few "color-producers" in Hollywood. He puts in his full time, when he has such a thing, on production details of his pictures. His next activity, he hopes, will be to direct a picture.

### Comic Books, Too

Wayne also puts out a monthly series of John Wayne western comic book. A million copies of each issue are sold. Wayne doesn't draw them himself but he carefully looks over what goes out.

Another of his projects is the John Wayne line of western outfits for children including cowboy hats, shirts, caps, boots, belts and poggins.

Just in case all these projects don't work, Wayne still won't be penniless in his old age. He has oil wells in four states—Texas, Oklahoma, and Nebraska—United Press.

## Press Like A Professional

WHAT with those handsome moderately priced suits of rayon men's suiting, not to mention the beautiful wools, the handsome silks and such, the suit has become a year-round wardrobe friend. But however fine a suit, it is only as good as the care it receives, only as handsome as it looks.

So keep your suits wrinkle-free and learn to be an expert with the iron. It takes only a few wrinkles to spoil the appearance of the nicest suit, and by the same token it takes only a few minutes with the pressing iron to do a professional job between trips to the tailor and cleaner. Be careful not to let the iron become overheated. It doesn't take much heat to scorch woollens, and heat is death on many rayons and silks, making the material stiffen or even melt.

### Dry Pressing

For dry pressing, the wrong side should always be treated. If a dry iron is used, it is best to use a slightly dampened pressing cloth. Be especially careful with gabardine which takes a shine easily. And see to it that care is exercised when pressing seams.

Work carefully near buttons especially the composition type, some of which are of plastic that is easily damaged. Lined jackets require little more than a good touch-up job. It's easy to smooth out the back.

### The Right Side

If you are pressing the right side, be sure to use a press cloth and a minimum of dampness. Go quickly over the shoulder area, the sleeves and the two fronts, but don't take long strokes with the iron. Instead lift the iron up and down quickly with a light but firm stroke.

To press skirt, turn it inside out and slip it over the ironing board with the open seams facing you. Starting at the hem edge, press each side towards the waistband, not forgetting the hand back. Now iron

carefully under double seams to avoid shine. When skirt is pressed, remove it quickly from board, close fastener, and immediately hang it from the loops on the inside of the waistband.

## Youthful Afternoons



Demure pink and black frock.

FLESH coloured nylon sheer is used to fashion the yoke and sleeves of this demure and charmingly youthful dress of black tulle. The off shoulder collar dips in a V in front, and in a deeper V in back. In fact right to the waistline. The skirt is worn in back and gathered in front. The belt is a lovely touch. It is nice to see that old favourite colour combination, black and pink, in circulation once more.

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

### Ting-a-Ling Lit the Lamp

—And All the Moths Came Fluttering 'Round—

By MAX TRELL

DARKNESS had fallen while Knarf and Hanid, the Shadows with the turned-about names, were visiting their friend Ting-a-Ling, who lived at the bottom of the Blue China Plate. Then Ting-a-Ling, seeing how dark it had become, lit a lamp.

He smiled at Knarf and Hanid. "Now," he said, "the moths will come."

Ting-a-Ling was right. In a few moments, from somewhere out of the darkness, came the moths. Round and round the light they fluttered, beating their wings without making the slightest sound.

Most of the moths were gray-white or gray-blue. "They're not nearly as pretty as butterfly-fies, Ting-a-Ling!" Knarf said.

"They don't have to be!" Hanid said to her brother before Ting-a-Ling had a chance to say anything. "They only fly around at night. No one sees them. Butterflies are different. They fly around in the sunshine. Everyone sees them! Isn't that right, Ting-a-Ling?"

### Quite Plain

Ting-a-Ling nodded. "It's a lot more right, my dear. A great many butterflies are quite plain, too—white, or bluish, or brown. But not all moths are as plain as these that are fluttering around the lamp now. Some are very pretty indeed, with all the colours of the rainbow on their wings.

"You see," Ting-a-Ling went on, "it may not be true that no one sees the moths just because they fly by night. They may very well see each other even though we may not be able to see them. In fact, I'm quite sure that they do!"

"If moths like light so much," said Knarf as he noticed that several dozen more moths of different shapes and sizes had now joined the others fluttering around the lamp, "I can't understand why they don't fly around in the daytime when everything is light?"

"To tell you the truth," Ting-a-Ling replied, "I can't understand it either. But I'm sure there must be other reasons why moths fly around at night."

"I can think of one reason," Hanid said at once. "They're safer when they're at night. Less of their enemies can see them."

"Yes indeed! A very good reason!" agreed Ting-a-Ling. "Butterflies are always in danger from hungry birds. There are very few birds out at night to catch moths."

Knarf couldn't think of any other good reasons why moths



The moths fluttered around the lamp.

should fly around at night, so he said: "Why do moths eat clothes? Nobody else eats clothes!"

"Moths don't eat clothes," said Ting-a-Ling.

"Oh! But everyone thinks they do, Ting-a-Ling!"

"Don't they have moth-balls to put in the clothes-closet to keep moths out?" said Hanid.

### Eat Clothes

"Now just let me explain," said Ting-a-Ling. "It isn't the moths that eat clothes. It's the caterpillars—the moths that eat the clothes. Before moths become moths, my dears, they are caterpillars, just as butterflies are caterpillars before they become butterflies. Caterpillars-of-butterflies eat leaves. Caterpillars-of-moths eat clothes, too, but they also like to eat clothes when they are lucky enough to find them."

"What happens is this. The moths come fluttering into the house when they see a light. Then, when daylight comes, they fly into a dark closet. Sometimes (when there are no moth-balls in the closet—for moths don't like the smell of moth-balls) they stay in the closet long enough to lay their eggs on a coat, or a pair of trousers, or a dress. Later the baby caterpillars-of-the-moths hatch out. They are very hungry, as all babies are. So they nibble on the clothes hanging all around them. I don't think they mean to make holes in clothes. It's just that they're so hungry."

Ting-a-Ling smiled again. "Just the same, it's a good idea to keep moths out of the house. Pouff!" he said, pushing the moths away from the lamp. "Go outside, please! And don't think," he added to Knarf and Hanid, "that clothes don't taste good. Cotton is a plant. Wool grows on sheep. We eat plants. We also eat sheep—or at any rate, lamb-chops. Pouff! I'd better put out the light!"

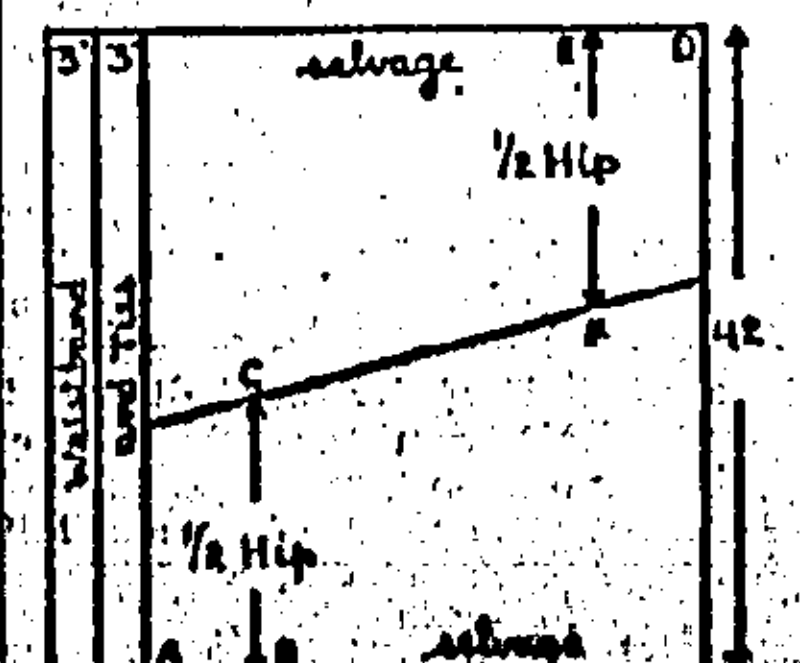
## Rupert's Autumn Primrose—30



Completely puzzled by what had happened, Rupert gives up the chase, but no sooner has he turned round than he comes face to face with a different and much larger bear. "Good gracious, you're one of the Autumn Bears, aren't you?" he exclaims. "What on earth's come on in this garden?"



"I'm well, thank you," says the self-angrily. "I'm a bear, trying to do our proper work and make the garden right for autumn, while all the time one of the lumps of soap has got loose, and is killing it with spring flowers, and is overworking the plants. If only I could find where it hides itself. When I catch him I'll teach him a lesson!"





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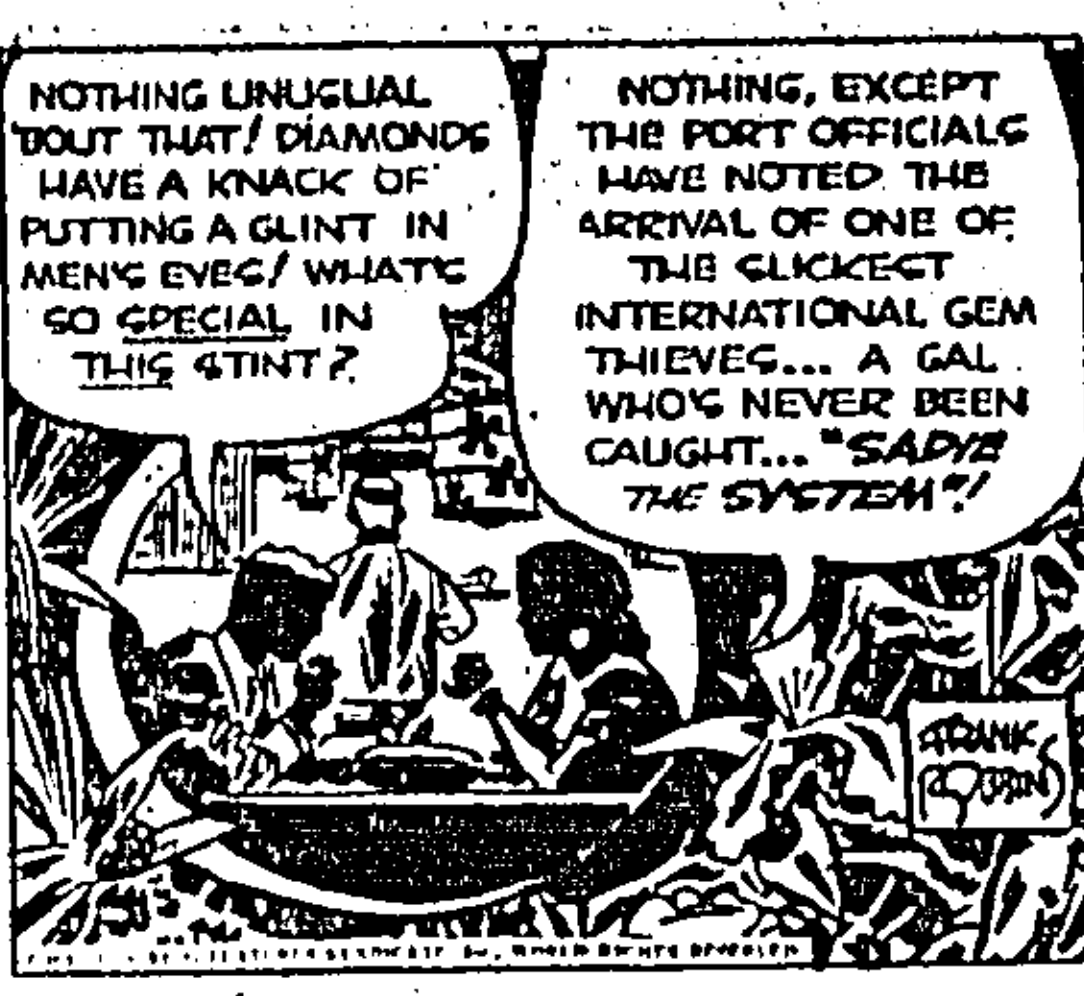
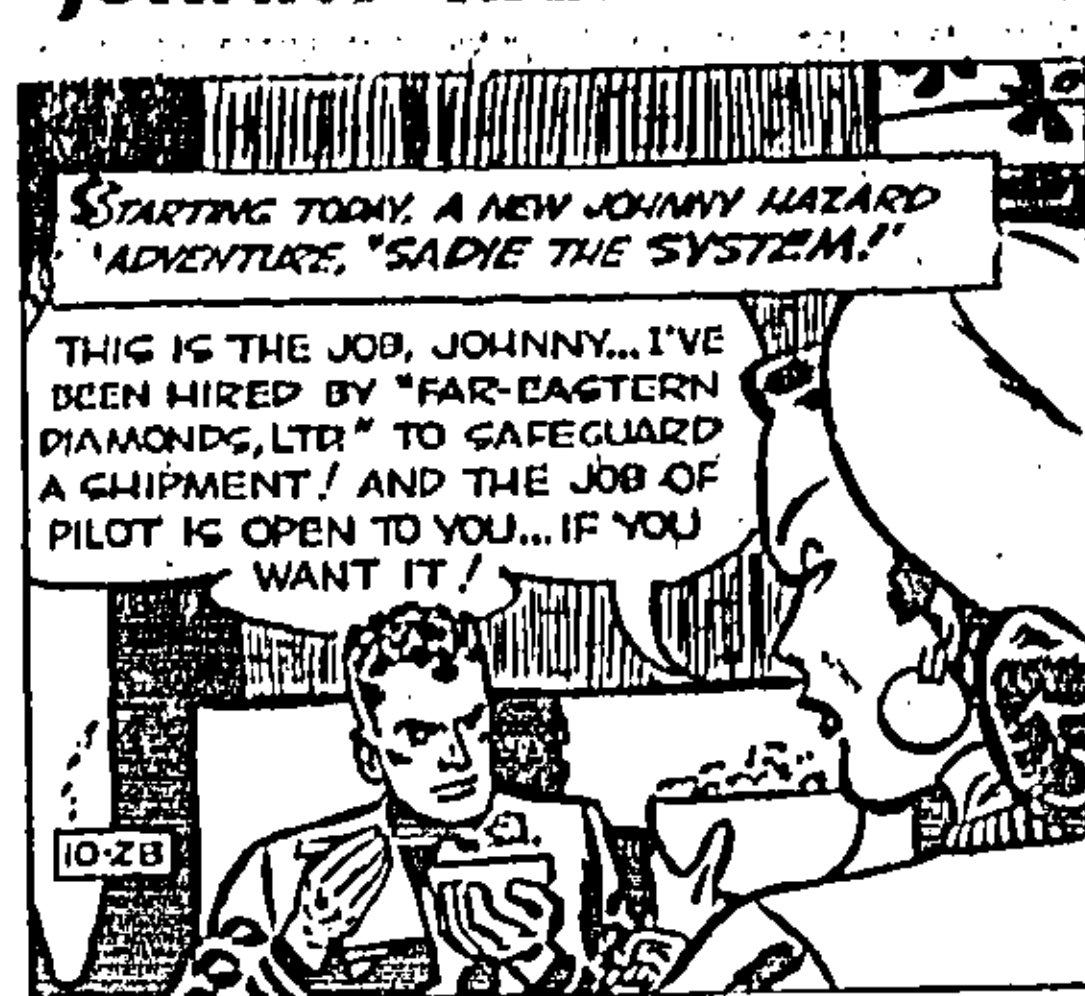
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"BENRINNES"	Havre, London & Rotterdam	2nd Feb.
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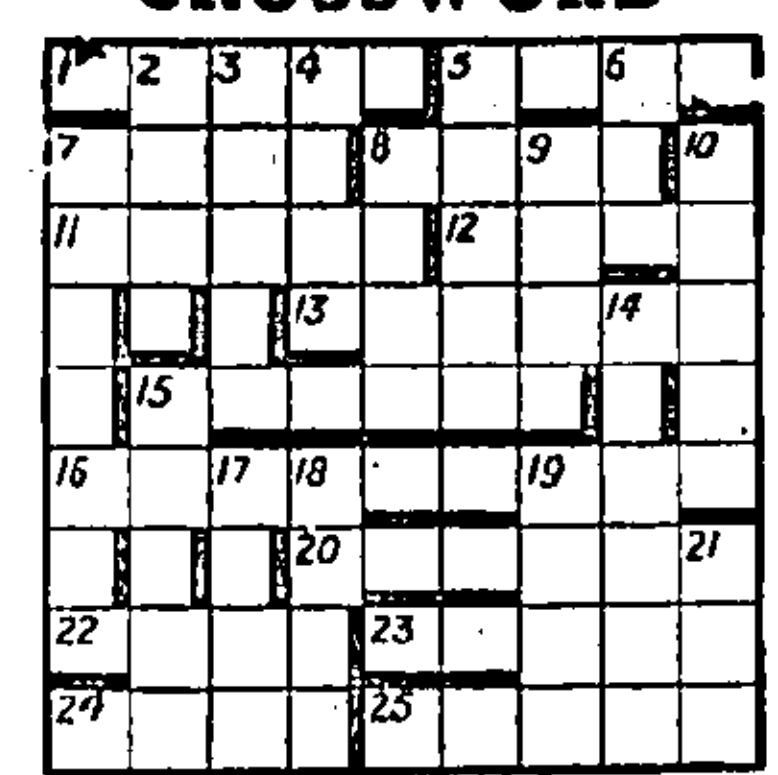
NEXT year the British Council is to make a special cultural effort.

Two singing mice are to be sent to Papua, a musical but-look which plays "Rule, Britannia" has been set aside, for the Gaipagos Islands, Madagascar, to get three lectures on Braque, a drummer in the Bechuanaland Philharmonic is to be given a new drum, "War and Peace" has been translated into Afghan, and a handsome volume of photographs of diseases of the fingers is being despatched to Baghdad. In addition, a recording of a stormy session of the P.E.N. Club has been translated into Siamese, Swahili, and Persian.

The trombone controversy

THE little ripple of anger at Chelmsford has become a tidal wave which threatens to submerge the musical circles of three continents. Were women's rapacious hands made to fondle a great trombone? At the Brunswick Square Band Contest there was one girl trombonist. She played for Stately Cross Crusaders. But every time she raised the instrument to her ruby lips, a noisy group of rich young ne're-do-wells from Coram-street and Red Lion-square cheered lustily. Mr. Gerald Barry and I, who were acting as judges, had to intervene. During Barry's Cavatina, by then the girl was so upset that she was blowing wrong notes. Her neighbour jogged her arm in protest, and the trombone eluded her grasp and rolled off the dais. We had to disqualify

CROSSWORD



1. A riddle of this kind is really seen through (5)  
2. A sugar stick perhaps. (4)  
3. A skin blemish. (4)  
4. But this is unblemished. (4)  
5. Accustom. (6)  
6. And it again. (4)  
7. Dazzle. (6)  
8. You do you will laugh to scorn. (6)  
9. Believing in the millennium. (9)  
10. Mythology. (10)  
11. Between earth and Hades (6)  
12. Mine is this sort of carriage. (4)  
13. Break out. (6)  
14. Nothing you want. (4)  
15. To be facetious may be amusing. (5)  
Down  
1. Here you see me on a small island. (4)  
2. All that's green (4)  
3. Grudge as it may appear, it can be remedied. (6)  
4. The correct player's trap. (3)  
5. It's the least that can be done. (7)  
6. Hips even for a fairy. (4)  
7. You may hang on it to the four opening bars. (4)  
8. Think the idea, isn't it? (5)  
9. This is so sudden! (6)  
10. Pass out round and about nine. (6)  
11. It's a horrible expression. (4)  
12. Famous Victorian comedian who has been called (4)  
13. Bring that tuba back. (4)  
14. Story without an alternative. (4)  
15. Solution of Saturday's puzzle. (4)  
16. Stetch. (10)  
17. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100.

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## Check Your Knowledge

- Where is Portugal?
- What distance is covered in a marathon race?
- Which is heavier, spring water or salt water?
- What celebrated writer did Charlotte Carpenter marry?
- What is a pot-shot?
- Where did the French get the word "ranger" to betray?

(Answers on Page 10)

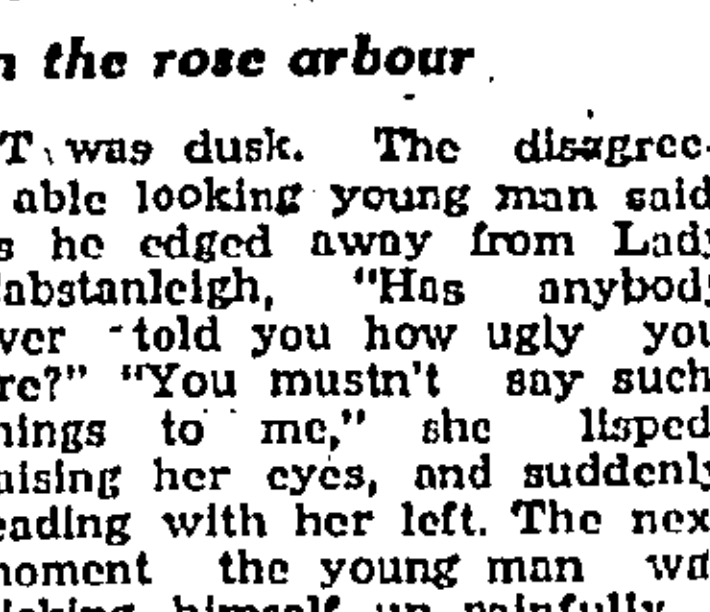
## SIX RODS

By T. O. HARE  
I HAVE six metal rods, of exactly the same length, which can be soldered to form a skeleton tetrahedron. Suppose that three rods are painted red and the other three are painted blue. How many tetrahedra could be produced which were distinguishable?

(Solution on Page 10)

## DUMB-BELLS

SOMETIMES IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO HELP THE BUTLER UPSTAIRS!



## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

If you are born today, you have your full share of brag-dadocio. You are inclined to talk high, wide and handsome. Sometimes you make good your promises - other times you don't. It would be better for you to be a little more conservative in the estimates of what you can do, for by disappointing people you are apt to alienate them. You have a strong character, an emotional nature and artistic talents. This combination can be used to real advantage if you concentrate on some one talent and perfect it early in youth. You are self-reliant, sometimes a little too much so for your own good. But since you also possess tact, you

manage to put over your ideas with the minimum of friction. You are optimistic and enthusiastic. You will never admit failure - perhaps that is why you are prone to a little boasting. You are also apt to be very critical of others, but since you have the gift of making your criticism amusing, you are usually forgiven if you do hurt a little bit. Actually, you are a romanticist at heart and if you developed the gift of the written word, you would probably become a successful author or poet. To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-June 21) - Save time by inventing some short-cut in your work routine. Utilise a labour-saving device. PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20) - If planning a trip this is a good day to get all the necessary information. Organise a schedule. ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20) - Complete a project which was previously started. Duty comes before pleasure right now. TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21) - This is an auspicious day to start a new project. Plan carefully where you are going. Then get started.

## 12,500 Miles In 1950

Passengers, totalling 4,540 million, travelled twelve and a half thousand million miles on London road services and the underground during the year 1950. The total mileage travelled by passengers on London Transport in 1950 was equal to half a million times round the world.

Of the 4,540 million travellers, 2,400 millions were carried by buses, 998 millions by the underground, 857 millions in trolley buses. London Transport buses, trams, trolley buses, coaches and railway cars ran nearly 660 million miles in the service of Londoners, equal to 27,000 times round the world. Of this, nearly 22 million miles were run by railways, 245 million miles by buses and nearly 80 million miles by trolley buses. Over 30 million gallons of fuel oil were used to run the buses and coaches but only 510,000 gallons of petrol, for the last petrol vehicles were taken off the road in the course of the year. London Transport used 740,000 tons of coal to make current for the tubes and other railways, trolley buses, and trams.

White, 3 pieces.

White to play and mate in three.

Solution to Saturday's problem.

1. Q-R7, any; 2. Q, R (dis ch), or Kt mates.

POCKET CARTOON



London Express cartoon.

By Frank Robbins



## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Develop An Even Temper For Bridge

| NORTH (D)       | 20     |
|-----------------|--------|
| AK952           |        |
| 753             |        |
| 0               |        |
| A1065           |        |
| WEST            | EAST   |
| AK843           | AJ36   |
| 92              | AJ10   |
| 852             | AJ109  |
| AJ432           | AJQ8   |
| SOUTH           |        |
| AJQ984          |        |
| AJQ743          |        |
| 07              |        |
| Neither vul.    |        |
| North           | East   |
| 14              | 1NT    |
| 39              | 2      |
| Pass            | Double |
| Pass            | Pass   |
| Opening lead—♥2 |        |

BY OSWALD JACOBY

CONSISTENTLY first-class bridge is a matter of temperament as well as of theoretical skill. For example, one of the best players in the country goes to pieces if his partner makes even a trifling error. Since most partners make errors, this expert is a losing player!

Most players collapse when they see a hand full of miserably low cards. True, you have no reason to rejoice when you have a very poor hand; you'll probably lose no matter what you do. Once in a while, however, the player who has a bad hand can strike a telling blow for his side.

West shuddered when his partner bid one no-trump. He expected to be doubled and set a few million points. He shuddered again when his partner doubled four hearts but relaxed when no redouble ensued.

West did not collapse at this point. He thought carefully about the opening lead. With short spades, he might have attacked that suit; but it didn't look very productive inasmuch as he held four to the ten. The "automatic" lead of the deuce of clubs also looked pretty sour.

He reasoned that his partner would have doubled one spade for a takeout if his hearts had been long as well as strong. Since East had actually bid one no-trump, his subsequent double would be led from dummy. No matter what East might do, South would make his contract; and it would take a careful defence to prevent declarer from making an overtrick.

The trump opening gave the defenders a chance. East took the first trick with the ace of hearts and returned the jack of hearts. South won with the king of hearts and noted with misgivings the fact that now dummy had only one trump.

Declarer next entered dummy with a spade in order to return the singleton diamond. East decided that South must have several diamonds and that he couldn't ruff them all with dummy's one remaining trump. East therefore boldly and brilliantly played the nine of diamonds instead of grabbing his ace.

When South led a diamond to East's jack, East returned a club, punching out one of South's trumps. Then South had to give East another diamond, and East could lead another club, punching out South's last trump. Hence East was left with the last trump, which provided the setting trick.

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Closing Times By Sea  
Siam, 3 p.m.  
Indonesia, 5 p.m.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23**  
Closing Times By Air  
Formosa, 10 a.m.  
Philippines, Hawaii & U.S.A. (Letters second class mail and parcels) Guam, (letters and second class mail) Canada, (letters only), 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
Siam, 10 a.m.  
Japan, 2 p.m.  
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**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24**  
Closing Times By Air  
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, and New Zealand, 9.30 a.m.  
Okinawa, 2 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
Burma, India, Pakistan, Iran, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
Siam, 10 a.m.  
Japan, 2 p.m.  
Netherlands, 2 p.m.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 25**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
Siam, 10 a.m.  
Japan, 2 p.m.  
Netherlands, 2 p.m.

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
Siam, 10 a.m.  
Japan, 2 p.m.  
Netherlands, 2 p.m.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
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Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
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**MONDAY, JANUARY 29**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
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Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
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**TUESDAY, JANUARY 30**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
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Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
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**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31**  
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**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1**  
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**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3**  
Closing Times By Air  
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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4**  
Closing Times By Air  
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**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
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**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
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**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
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Closing Times By Sea  
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Japan, 2 p.m.  
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**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8**  
Closing Times By Air  
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Siam, 5 p.m.  
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Japan, 2 p.m.  
Netherlands, 2 p.m.

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
Siam, 10 a.m.  
Japan, 2 p.m.  
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**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
Formosa, 5 p.m.  
Japan & Korea, 5 p.m.  
Closing Times By Sea  
Siam, 10 a.m.  
Japan, 2 p.m.  
Netherlands, 2 p.m.

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11**  
Closing Times By Air  
India, Pakistan, Persia, Gulf Ports, Egypt, East & South Africa, Mauritius, Great Britain, Italy, N.W. Europe & France, 5 p.m.  
Siam, 5 p.m.  
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## Governor Visits 2 Schools

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, paid informal visits to two schools this morning.

He was accompanied by the Director of Education, Mr D.J.S. Crozier. The Governor visited the Ellis Kadoorie School in Soekunpoo, established in 1912 as a gift of Sir Ellis Kadoorie, and was intended for Indian children.

The present building dates from 1917. In pre-war days only pupils of Indian parentage and Mohammedan Chinese were admitted.

During the Japanese occupation the school premises were occupied by the Japanese Navy and were used as a Marine Court.

The school was re-opened in 1946 and has been admitting both Indian and Chinese pupils of any religion.

At this school His Excellency and Mr Crozier were received by Mr Wong Kwok-in, headmaster of the morning section, and Mr Tong Chun-chung, the Governor spent half an hour on the premises.

His Excellency also visited the Gold and Silver Exchange Society Free School, opened last year by members of the Exchange for the benefit of the children of their low-income employees.

Here His Excellency was received by the Chairman of the Society, Mr Ho Sen-hang, and the headmaster, Mr Tse Chi-ll.

The Governor expressed satisfaction with what he saw in both schools.

## Too Pretty For Job In Britain



Gertrude Broda, 21-year-old Viennese girl, who was rejected by a British employment agency as "too pretty" has accepted an offer to visit Scotland as the guest of a "rich" Edinburgh family. She plans to leave Vienna in late March or early April to take up the invitation. Photo shows Gertrude (left) discussing her plans with her mother in their Vienna apartment. On the table are some of the scores of letters from admirers proposing marriage. Some came from as far as New Zealand.—AP Picture.

## Starvation Confronts Portuguese In S'hai

About 600 Portuguese citizens, remainder of the Portuguese community in the Communist-held Metropolitan city of Shanghai will face starvation in the very near future.

News has been received in Hongkong that the Portuguese Consulate in Shanghai has advised Portuguese residents that the usual monthly subsidies of US\$7 for adults and US\$3.50 for children will cease as from January 31.

The small community is desperately anxious to leave the Communist-held city following the notice from the Consulate, said a former Shanghai resident. He added that he had just received a cable from a friend asking for accommodation.

It is also reported that over 300 Portuguese will be driven out of Shanghai.

The report says that the party will board a train supplied by the Communists and on their arrival at Canton will be shipped to Macao. The Portuguese Consulate in Hongkong refused to make any comment on this evacuation.

Since the Communists occupied the city the Portuguese community had been living from hand to mouth existence. Within a few months after the occupation 80 per cent of the people lost their jobs.

Employees of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank were transferred to the Hongkong office and arrangements were made for their families to follow them.

A few with private means lost no time to leave the occupied city for other parts of the world.

**ALIENED TO HK**  
When the situation deteriorated, the Portuguese Government planned a voluntary evacuation and a few hundred Portuguese were airlifted to Hongkong. On their arrival, those with no means and accommodation here, were shipped to Macao and are being looked after by the Portuguese Government.

Many who were reluctant to leave all they possess at the time and believed the tide would change, remained behind. The Portuguese Consulate has subsidised them since and with this help they have been able to pay their house rent and taxes.

About 100 with no means of support except for the subsidy, were given shelter by the Communists in a big garage. They helped each other as best they could with home-made food and other necessities.

An informant said that many lived on game. The bird-hunters usually return with a big catch which they distribute among the community.

**CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE**  
ANSWERS  
1. It is in western Europe, forming part of the Iberian peninsula, bounded on the N. and E. by Spain and on the S. and W. by the Atlantic Ocean.  
2. 20 miles, 368 yards. 3. Salt water.  
4. Sir Walter Scott.  
5. A shot fired without careful aim.  
6. From Marshal Marmont Duke of Ragusa, who defeated Napoleon in 1814.

## Stole From A Detective

Ho Yin-to, 26, unemployed, was sentenced to one month by Mr Latimer at Central this morning for stealing a Parker fountain pen from a Police detective.

Prosecuting, Insp. H. B. J. Brown, said that shortly after 1.30 p.m. yesterday, DPC Mak Hon-fan, the complainant, was on board an east-bound tram and as the tram was too crowded, he stood among the passengers when suddenly he felt someone jostling against him. On turning round, he saw defendant drop a Parker fountain pen to the floor. When the detective found the pen was his, he arrested defendant who asked for forgiveness saying that he would give his wrist watch to complainant.

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## Alleged Act Of Indecency

A Northern Chinese, Wong Ming, alias Fan Ming, stood in the dock at the Criminal Sessions before the Acting Chief Justice, Mr E. H. Williams, this morning, charged with committing an act of indecency against another Chinese man in the Victoria Remand Prison, Arbutnot Road, on December 20. He pleaded not guilty.

A Jury of seven men was empanelled to hear the case.

Mr J. Reynolds (Crown Counsel), who conducted the prosecution, assisted by Det. Sub-Inspector F. Roberts, said that Wong, the alleged victim, Hong Lok, and a third man named Tam were prisoners detained in Victoria Remand Prison at the date of the alleged offence. They were accommodated together in a cell into which the accused had been placed the day before, but Hong Lok had been detained about 10 days previously.

On the night of December 20 Hong Lok went to sleep about 8 p.m. The accused was in the bed space next to him, while Tam lay on the far side next to accused. They were lying on their backs on mats. Hong was wearing four Chinese-type jackets and his underpants, and was using his outer pair of trousers as a pillow.

Some time later in the night, the alleged offence was committed. Hong Lok was awakened by a feeling of pain, and when he pushed away his blanket, he observed accused pulling his own blanket over his body. Hong Lok pressed the emergency alarm bell and a report was made to the warden who arrived.

Both accused and Hong Lok were later medically examined and accused was subsequently charged.

Crown Counsel detailed to the Jury the findings of the doctor. The trial is proceeding.

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## Man Charged With Robbing Asst. Matron

### PROSECUTION'S STORY

An allegation that the accused was one of three men who robbed the complainant, an assistant matron of the Ruttonjee Sanatorium, on the night of September 20 last was made when Iu Hoi-po, alias Iu Kit-chi, 30, unemployed, appeared before the Senior Puisne Judge, Mr Justice Gould, in the Criminal Sessions this morning, charged with robbery with aggravation.

It was alleged by the Crown that the crime occurred shortly after 9 p.m. whilst complainant, Miss Lau Wai-wah, accompanied by an amah, was returning to the Sanatorium along a pavement in Queen's Road East. Miss Lau was alleged to have been robbed of a bag containing \$20.25, some hypodermic syringes and needles, a bottle of cholera vaccine, and other articles.

Mr M. Heenan, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting, assisted by Det. Sub-Inspector R. G. Laurel.

Accused is not legally represented.

The Jury empanelled comprise five men and two women. The Prosecutor said that shortly after 9 p.m. on September 20 last, complainant, accompanied by her amah, was returning to the Sanatorium and was proceeding along Queen's Road East, on a pavement to the left from the direction of the Southern Playground.

Whilst nearing the Sanatorium Miss Lau was approached by three men, one of whom was in advance of the other two. The first man threatened her with a butcher's knife, saying "Don't make a noise or you will be killed." Complainant would say that she was extremely frightened at the time and made no resistance nor did she cry out. The man then snatched her handbag and together with his two alleged accomplices ran off in the direction of Kennedy Street.

**ALARM RAISED**  
Complainant continued on to the Sanatorium where she raised an alarm. About this time a Police mobile patrol, comprising a sergeant and a corporal, which was in the vicinity heard an alarm raised. At the same time they saw two men at the junction of Kennedy Street and Queen's Road East, just off Kennedy Road. The men were running and the Police officers, after alighting from their jeep, gave chase.

The man who was pursued by the Police sergeant was eventually caught and the handbag was found in his possession. During the chase, the alleged robber was seen to throw something on the ground, which was later recovered. It was a butcher's knife, said Counsel.

This man had already been dealt with and the Jury should not now be concerned with him in any way.

The other man escaped. About an hour later, as a result of information received the Police arrested another man near the Southern Playground. "That man is the accused," the Prosecutor said.

Taken to the Police Station, where Inspector Laurel was investigating the alleged robbery, accused made a cautious statement. He made another statement when formally charged with the offence.

**TOY PISTOL**  
Later that same evening, the accused, as a result of something contained in one of the state-ments, took a Police party, headed by Inspector Laurel to a scavenging lane in Queen's Road East. At a certain house accused pointed to a window and Inspector Laurel, putting his hand behind the window which was open, saw a toy pistol (produced in Court).

Mr Heenan said that the Crown alleged that accused was one of the three men who robbed the complainant, who, he said, failed to identify the accused at an identification parade. The evidence on which the Crown was relying was the contents of the statements. He was unable at this stage, to reveal their contents, said the Prosecutor, until the statements had been admitted.

**PETROL CONFISCATED**  
Forty-two drums of petrol totalling about 200 gallons were ordered to be confiscated by Mr Justice Gould on Saturday without being labelled. The rest of the petrol was found at the Modern Garage at Tai Po Road yesterday.

In neither case could claimants be found.

## From The Files 100 Years Ago

### Masquerade Ball

"Will you have the kindness to insert the following in your paper of tomorrow's issue; doing so you will greatly oblige

Yours respectfully,  
JOHN WALKER

"It is with great pleasure that we are enabled to notice the efforts of our Citizens to encourage that social feeling, which so greatly contributes to the felicity of other cities, my letter upon the Hongkong Races with editorial remarks that I think warrant my starting for another hat, even though you may object to my entry into your forthcoming number.

You say I am "querulous" Not Not Editor, not so; I cannot be if I write facts and comments upon facts. But Sir, you are in error entirely and it is your memory not mine that is "forgetful" when you say only good horses are allowed to run for the Pictorialist's Cup." The race list says "for all horses bona fide the property of the person entering"; it does not say a word about "good" nor should it; why should an ordinary horse not be entered and run with a chance of winning? Have sporting men so soon forgotten the triumphs of "outsiders" as to say the chance of weather may not materially alter the probable result of the forthcoming struggle for the Pictorialist's Cup. Can it be so soon forgotten the "surprise" that "Caucus" (a halt bred) occasioned by winning the Caceswreth against some of the best blood there on the turf? Can Hotspur running to the Flying Dutchman's nose be forgotten I might go on with many such instances to prove there are chances for supposed bad horses.

To your further remark good Mr Editor, let me object and say Mr Editor, you have no "focus stand" for the entries are not out and therefore it is impossible to say "there are no good horses withheld from the entry." If I am wrong in what I stated that there had been an objection to a tradesman entering a horse and riding—most sincerely do I regret my error, allow your contradiction and apologise if I have not mentioned that had there been no objection, but had the races been "open to all and influenced by none" it would have added interest to the meeting and Rienz with his stable companions, with Captain Porter gray and one or two other Colonial horses and ponies that have run before, might have increased the spirit of emulation and the fervour of racing in the Colony, and have shown their pluck or want of pluck at the forthcoming meeting. Am I "querulous" good Mr Editor, because I question the "knowledge" of these racing men? when in the programme of these races, not a word about "weights for ages" is mentioned when I am "compelled" if I enter a three-year-old Sydney horse, to put 11 stone 5 lb-11 lb, 10 lb on his back while the horse saddling by his side is twice his age and only carries the same.

But, Sir, no more I have endeavoured to prove I am not querulous, I hope, I have succeeded to your satisfaction, at least, I think your endeavor to prove the forgetfulness of my mind was an error on your part. I wish all joy and sport to the racing men, but had I seen a more open and generous spirit pervading their mind it would have provoked the intrusion of

Yours obediently,  
A LOVER OF SPORT.

## Women Act To Prevent Indecency

Some time ago it was brought to the notice of the Executive Committee of the Hongkong Council of Women that several films shown in the Colony transgressed the usually accepted standards of decency.

The authorities were found to be as concerned as others about this matter and steps were taken to ensure that the cinema shows in future shall not lend themselves again to adverse criticism of this sort.

It was noticed also that there were being shown in the Colony a rapidly increasing number of indecent stage shows of a "strip tease" variety. Protests were made to the Authorities and it is pleasing to note that all those have been taken off and the Chinese newspapers, which previously displayed notices of five shows in one week are now freed of these objectionable advertisements.

**Child's Brain Tumour**  
Rochester, Minnesota, Jan. 21. Five-year-old Dorothy Ann Otwell arrived here today for an examination by Mayo Clinic doctors which her parents hoped would save her life.

The waxen-faced little Alabama girl, suffering from a brain tumour which may take her life by Valentine's Day, as soon as reached St Mary's Hospital than she walked that she wanted to go home. But her parents, Mr and Mrs R. R. Orwell of Anniston, Alabama, hushed her and placed her in the hands of specialists of the famous clinic.

The examination was begun at once but Mayo Clinic officials said the results might not be known until tomorrow. The parents said a physician back home had told them Dorothy Ann was suffering from a brain tumour which could not be removed by surgery and that she might die at any time.—United Press.

**Had Opium & Too Much Small Change**  
Li Woon-heung, 34, residing at 64 Tai Yuen Street, first floor, was fined \$125 by Mr Latimer at Central this morning when he pleaded guilty to two counts of possession of two tabs of raw opium and possession of small change in excess of reasonable requirements.

Det. Sub-Inspector J. Martin, prosecuting, said that the Police searched the premises of 64 Tai Yuen Street, first floor, the residence of defendant, last Saturday afternoon and found in defendant's possession approximately two tabs of raw opium and \$32.53 in 10 cent notes and coins.

Defendant was fined \$100 for possession of the opium and \$25 for possession of the small change. The opium was ordered to be confiscated and the small change to be forfeited to the Treasury.